DE LOME MUST GET OUT

The Author Refuses to Deny Authorship of Letter.

He Will be Ordered to go Home for His Gross Insult to the President.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The publication of what purported to be an autograph letter written by Dupuy De Lome, the Spanish minister, to a friend, criticising the president with the utmost freedom, caused a sensation in official Washington, and soon will be followed by Minister De Lome's departure from the United States. At the outset there was a disposition to question the authenticity of the letter, but as bit by bit the circumstantial evidence accumulated, until it was finally announced officially that the minister declined to deny the authorship of the letter, all doubt was dissipated, and the only question that remained was as to the line of action to be pursued by our government toward the offending minister. The writing of this letter is unquestionably an offense against the amenities of diplomatic relations, and such offenses almost invariably have been regarded in the capital of the United States, as in other capitals, as sufficient ground for the termination of the official status of the letter writer.

As soon as the letter appeared in the press, the state department officials began an effort to settle its authenticity, and when it had learned all that could be developed on that point and had been told that the minister himself refused to deny writing it, the consideration of the next step began. Assistant Secretary Day was in consultation with the president on the subject at least four times during the official day, and then spent much time in framing his message to United States Minister Woodford at Madrid. The official statement of the sending of this message was accompanied by a declination to indicate its contents at this time, the department merely giving to the press the following statement:

"Minister De Lome does not deny writing the letter. This department has communicated with General Woodford on the subject. Until that communication reaches the Spanish government it would be improper to in any manner state the contents of the message to General Woodford."

While the department refused to add anything to this meager announcement, it can be stated without question that Mr. Woodford was directed to lay the facts developed before the Spanish government, together with the statement that in view of the minister's refusal to deny the authorship of the letter, the Spanish government is looked to with confidence to deal with the case properly. This amounts to an invitation to recall the minister, presuming that he himself has not already taken steps to vacate his position. No doubt is entertained of a compliance with the implied suggestion, but in case there should be undue delay in acting, the state department would feel called upon to move directly in the matter and give the minister his passports, as was done when Sir Julian Pauncefote's predecessor wrote the celebrated Murchison letter.

It may be stated that with Lord Sackville the department of state itself initiated the action. Lord Sackville had written a letter to one Murchinson in Pomona, Cal., in September, 1888, in reply to his request for guidance, as a naturalized American of British birth, in casting his vote for president. The reply was sent from Beverly, Mass., where the minister was stopping and would not now, nor probably at any time except in the heat of one of the great four-yearly elections, be regarded as particularly offensive. His lordship simply said that any political party which openly favored the mother country at that time would lose popularity, and the party then in power was well aware of this fact. He believed, however, that President Cleveland would manifest a spirit of conciliation in dealing with the questions involved in his message. Upon seeing this letter printed, Secretary Bayard sent for Lord Sackville, and the latter frankly confessed the authorship. Mr. Bayard cabled Mr. Phelps, our minister at London, under date of Oct. 25, that Lord Sackville had declared that his reply to Murchinson had been strictly private and not for publication. Mr. Bayard expressed his "surprise and amazement and condemnation of the minister's act. The government of the United States," he said, "could not be indifferent to any interference in the domestic issues by foreign representatives," and Mr. Phelps was directed to invite Lord Salisbury's attention to the occurrence and express the confident reliance of this government upon the action of her majesty's government in the premises."

Lord Salisbury did not take kindly to the suggestion. He replied that he could not act until he had received the minister's explanation. He did not regard the letter alone as sufficient to warrant the minister's recall, "thus ending his diplomatic career, which would not necessarily be the case if he were dismissed by the government of the United States, for which, of course, there are precedents."

Mr. Phelps having advised that the intimation of Lord Salisbury be acted upon, as there was no probability of his recalling the minister immediately, Mr. Bayard proceeded to dismiss Lord Sackville in the following terms: "The president of the United States has instructed me to inform you that for good and sufficient causes which are known to yourself, and have been duly brought to the knowlege of your government, he has, with great regret, become convinced that it would be incompatible with the best interests and detrimental to the good relations of both governments that you should any longer hold your present official position in the United States, and that accordingly the government of her British majesty will without delay be informed of this determination in order that another channel may be found for the transmission of such communications as may be found desirable between the two governments in the transaction of their business. Whenever it is your pleasure to depart from the United States I am instructed to furnish you with the usual facilities, and with that view I now beg to enclose a passport in the customary form."

Lord Sackville left immediately, and from Oct. 30, 1888, until late in the spring of 1889, the British government was represented here only by a charge, a sign of the displeasure with which it viewed the treatment of its minister.

Among the minister's friends the act of stealing a confidential letter and making it public was considered as more reprehensible than the writing of the letter itself. It was the general expression among the minister's associates of the diplomatic corps that, while the publication disclosed grave impropriety, yet it was one that might happen to any of them in the course of confidential communications in which the greatest freedom of expression is used in order to convey a full understanding of an international question.

The most objectionable portion of the letter is this paragraph: "The message has undeceived the insurgents, who expected something else, and has paralyzed the action of congress, but I consider it bad. Beside the natural and inevitable coarseness with which he repeats all that the press and public opinion of Spain has said of Weyler, it shows once more that McKinley is weak and catering to the rabble, and, besides, a low politician, who desires to leave a door open to me and to stand well with the jingoes of his party. Nevertheless, as a matter of fact, it will only depend on ourselves whether he will prove bad and adverse to us."

MECHANICS PHALANX

WILL HOLD ANNUAL PARTY ON FEBRUARY 23.

The Mechanics Phalanx was inspected last night by Major Taylor of Wakefield, who complimented the company on the efficiency displayed. The company is arranging for a grand ball to be held on the evening of February 23, at which members of the governor's staff will be present. The reception committee is made up as follows:

Col. Percy Parker, Capt. C. H. Kimball, Col. F. T. Walsh, Col. J. H. Carmichael, Col. Albert Pindar, Major E. J. Noyes, Capt. O. M. Pratt, Capt. George E. Lull, Capt. A. D. Prince, Lieut. A. D. Colby, Victor I. Cumnock, Hon. C. D. Palmer, Hon. W. F. Courtney, Hon. F. W. Howe, W. H. I. Hayes, Richard Dobbins, H. R. Rice, Alex. M. Abels, C. F. Callahan, J. S. Chandler, J. J. Cluin, H. V. Huse, E. W. Lovejoy, A. G. Smith, Charles A. Spencer, George E. Stanley, Dr. C. W. Taylor and Charles A. Mitchell.

ST. JOHN'S MINSTRELS

GAVE A FINE PERFORMANCE IN GRANITEVILLE.

The minstrel troupe of St. John's Temperance society of North Chelmsford went to Graniteville last night and before an audience that filled the town hall gave an entertainment in aid of St. Catharine's church. In the entertainment were numbers by Sadie and Maggie McCoy, Josie McCabe, Lizzie Constantineau, Sambro Tambos, J. J. Flaherty, Samuel Seymour, James Curry, James J. Carey, James J. Barrett, John T. Crowley, Maggie Hersom. A band of 10 pieces accompanied the troupe.

After the entertainment an excellent supper was served. It was provided by the ladies of the church.

ANOTHER ELECTRIC ROAD.

The contemplated new electric road from Amesbury to the New Hampshire state line in Seabrook has taken shape and the promoters have formed under the name of the Amesbury and Hampton Street Railway Co., with a capital of $30,000. The Amesbury people interested are E. R. Briggs, Adam Scott, C. A. Merrill, R. E. Briggs, and H. F. Carey. The road will cover three miles in the state limits. The route is to be from Market square in Amesbury through Market, Clinton, and Congress streets, through Salisbury Plain to Seabrook, there to connect with the road now being surveyed from Hampton to the state line. Eventually, there will be an electric line between Lowell and Portsmouth, via Lawrence, Haverhill and Amesbury. This road will connect at Hampton with the Exeter and Hampton Beach road, now in operation.

It is probable that in time this entire system will be under the control of the York Beach Street Railroad syndicate.

TREMONT AND SUFFOLK MILLS.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Tremont & Suffolk mills these officers were elected: Clerk, Chas. F. Young; treasurer, Alphonso S. Covel; directors, Arthur T. Lyman; Frederick F. Ayer, Frederick Ayer Jacob Rogers, Harrison Gardner, Charles F. Ayer, Benj. C. Dean.

Fine job printing done at this office.

THE REFLECTIONS

Of a Loafer in Merrimack Square.

SCENES AND FACES IN THE THROUGHFARE.

Whose There and Their Object There.

Lowell's busiest quarter from early morn until almost early morn again is Merrimack square, the rising point of The Sun, the center of the street railroad and the Rialto of Lowell's meandering public. Whatever happens, even in the remotest corners of the city is always known betimes in the square, and whatever transpires in the square from a tragedy to a new vest on the "King," is rapidly communicated to every quarter and even smaller parts of the city. Paradoxical as it may seem, crooked happenings often appear in the square.

The habitue of the square, familiar with its life and people, does not observe with the keenness of the casual visitor the many occurrences of a day in this great center, but there are many—some amusing, some otherwise.

In the first place, the square is the proper place in which to get an idea of the great number of unemployed and observe their character, habits, dress, etc. They haunt it, particularly when the newspapers put out their bulletin boards, for they take a great interest in the events of the day, as gleaned from the terse pen of the bulletin writer. One passing by would hardly note the number in the square, so well behaved are they, but in the course of a day, especially a fine day, one sees a surprisingly large number of healthy and intelligent-appearing men loitering aimlessly back and forth and around the square. They are extremely well behaved and it's only when some unusually important event, just chronicled on the bulletin board has caused a group of them to engage in animated discussion that Jack Crowley and Charlie Gregg are compelled to quietly inform them that the bricks under their feet are becoming cold from want of sunlight whereupon they generally disperse, while perhaps an hour later some newspaper office receives a little note written on any old kind of paper, beginning with: "Mr. Editor—To decide a bet, will you, etc.," sometimes taking us back to the creation of the world. We are always willing to accommodate them when it is possible, for though at present down in the world, they are still in it and while in it, may yet be up in it. At times, of course, there a "thick" one, as he is designated, who dares to linger around after the blue-coated custodian of the square has bade them play checkers and move. They wouldn't be men at all if they weren't a few such. But the square's unemployed are the honest unemployed and not the despicable loafer who is often undeservedly honored by being classed as one of the unemployed, and when they are missed from the square, men know they have at last found work.

The women of the square are numerous, for the most part handsome and generally well dressed. They come to the square to get their cars, and like all visions of loveliness leave our view ere we have fully admired them. The problem of the square suggested by the women of the square at the present time is the most graceful, modest, and yet effective way of carrying one's skirts. It being quite a number of years since I wore skirts, my knowledge of the subject is too slight for publication, but for the best solution of the vexatious problem, accompanied by a quarter or 25 cents in stamps, as an evidence of good faith, we will cheerfully give the lucky one a month's subscription to The Sun.

The street railroad employes form a considerable part of the square and a very important and indispensible part, at that. There's good-natured Tom Sayers, the railroad starter, who is out in the square in all kinds of weather. Without Tom, the square would be surely deficient. Tom is a sort of walking unabridged encyclopedia of useful knowledge. In size, Tom is certainly unabridged and in general knowledge he comes very near it. He is called upon to answer all sorts of questions from all sorts of people and do it promptly and without pay. He is supposed to know why every car is late and when every car is going to be late. He is also supposed to know the running time of all street railroads that have lines connecting with Lowell. He is supposed to know the running time of all Boston trains, when Huntington hall is to be rebuilt, how much every director of the Lowell & Suburban is worth, what family each has, how each is liked by each other, who is the richest man in town, how to best break up a cold, how to generate electricity, all changes in the weather (a day in advance), and is even supposed to know when McKinley's prosperity is due here.

It's an old story, but they do say that Tom is the originator of the following:

A lady once stood between the tracks with her back to an approaching Westford street car, and yelled: "Here, starter, where will I get the Westford street car?"

"You'll get it in the neck, madam, if you stay there," was the alleged answer.

Then there are conductors and motormen in the square. "They are used to push overloaded pipes off barren spots during these days of thaw and they break up fights, steer drunken men away from holes, and otherwise render valuable assistance. The employes, however, do not take up any of the square except in going to and fro, as they pass their leisure time in their spacious basement quarters.

A few days ago, Cleve Cheney had the snow removed from the square, probably to have it washed, for yesterday his men were busily engaged in putting the real white article where the rusty whiteness had been. Several pungs stuck on the pavements and one drunk, whom Jack Crowley afterwards collared, furnished the afternoon's excitement, yesterday. Tomorrow may bring forth new scenes and new faces.

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A WOMAN'S SUFFERINGS.

Some of the Agonies They Needlessly Endure.

Nervousness and Female Weaknesses Ruin Many Lives.

These Poor Sufferers Have Found A Sure Way To Get Well.

Female weaknesses are more common today than ever before. Constant work and worry weaken the nerves and vitality, and female weakness follows. As a result there is pain, discharges, suppression, irregularities, weak back, inflammations, bearing down, bad taste in the mouth, loss of appetite, faintness, constipation, nervousness, sleeplessness and irritability. Mrs. S. Taylor, of 251 West 17th St., New York City, says:

"For years I have been unable to attend to my household duties owing to severe sickness. I was troubled terribly with female weakness, suppression of the menses for over six years, nervous exhaustion, sleeplessness and general debility. I had coldness of limbs and feet, and was in a helpless condition. I feared I should never get well.

"I had been under a doctor's care all the time but got no better. I was utterly prostrated, and good for nothing. By the advice of a friend who was cured by Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, I began using this wonderful medicine. After taking it a short time I was completely cured of all my troubles. My nerve strength returned, my female weakness entirely left me, my nervousness disappeared, I slept well and was in perfect health. For this blessing I have to thank Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. It is a wonderful medicine."

Such testimonials as these are always the means of curing thousands of suffering women who are wise enough to accept the advice of those who have been cured. Countless numbers of people all over the land have regained their health by this wonderful remedy, and are crying out to their fellow creatures to take Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, and be made well and strong. It is not a patent medicine, but the prescription of the most successful physician, Dr. Greene, of 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., who can be consulted free, personally or by letter.

A. G. CUMNOCK

MAY BE ELECTED TREASURER OF APPLETON COMPANY.

At the annual meeting of the Appleton corporation to be held February 16 it is understood that A. G. Cumnock will be elected treasurer with his office in this city.

The company will be re-organized by a reduction of its $600,000 capital, and stockholders asked to pay sufficient money to make the above capital good again. The capital reduction will depend largely upon the report of the special committee now investigating the property for the stockholders.

LOWELL & ANDOVER RAILROAD.

The annual meeting of the Lowell & Andover railroad company was held yesterday at the office of the J. C. Ayer estate, the old board of directors being unanimously re-elected as follows: Frederick Ayer, Frederick F. Ayer, George Ripley, O. H. Moulton, Prescott C. Gates, Jacob Rogers, and Edward T. Rowell. Grenville Hovey continues as clerk of the corporation and Austin K. Chadwick as treasurer.

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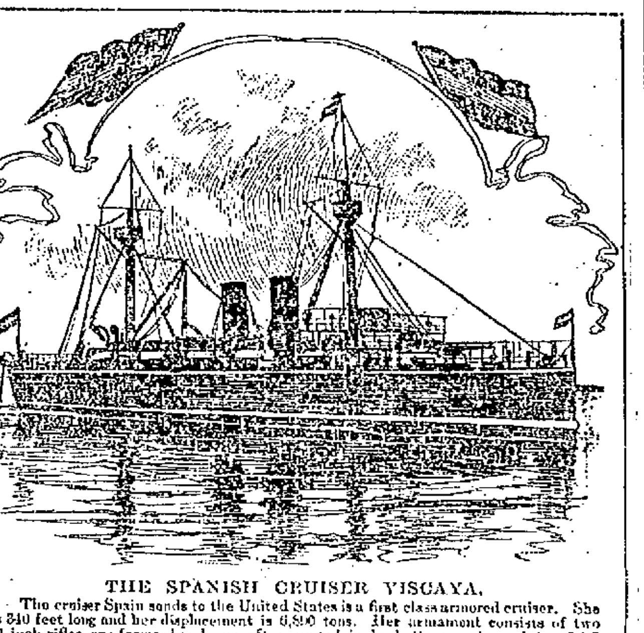


THE SPANISH CRUISER VISCAYA.

The cruiser Spain sends to the United States is a first class armored cruiser. She is 340 feet long and her displacement is 6,890 tons. Her armament consists of two 11-inch rifles, one forward and one aft, mounted in barbette turrets, and ten 5 1-2 inch rapid fire guns, mounted in broadside. The secondary battery comprises eight Nordenfeldts, eight Hotchkiss and four mitrailleuses, and there are eight torpedo tubes. She is protected by an armor belt, 12 inches thick and 6 feet broad.

COMMUNICATION.

Lowell, Feb. 9, 1898.

I have received a letter from my old schoolmate in Harpoot, Turkey, which is as follows:

My beloved and best schoolmate, J. E. Maseck—Your last letter that you had forwarded to me was very interesting, and I was very glad to hear from you, Maseck. I understand by your letter that you are very desirous to know about the situation of this place. Well, my friend, the military department of Harpoot and every vilaett (state) are receiving various kinds of armaments and there is talk among the people (the Turks) that they shall make a general massacre on all non-Mohammedan people; and I have heard from a reliable source that there will be a war between Turkey and Russia. I myself have come to the conclusion that there may occur a war between the said governments next spring, because the Turks are quite sure that the time has come to whip these Christian dogs (as they call them), as they whipped the Greeks last spring; and there is another proof. Russia had hard feelings against Turkey. The money which the Turks will get from Greece as indemnity of war will be used to strengthen the navy, as has been suggested by the German government. Russia is very much opposed to this. Another fact is that Russia is pushing the Bulgarians, Persians, and Circassians to raise trouble in several parts of the Turkish frontier. I will keep you informed on the situation.

Yours truly
G. H. V.

Harpoot, Turkey, Jan. 12, 1898.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL.

Members of Flora E. Stacey lodge, I.O.G.T., passed a few pleasant hours in Bay State hall last night, the occasion being a box party and an entertainment. The program included: Duets by Misses Minnie and Laura Perrault; readings by Archie Phelton and Miss Flora McMasters; songs by Mrs. Effie Tinker, Miss Jennie Atkinson and William Gould; violin solos by Miss Mabel Foss.

The officers of Granite lodge, I.O.G.T., Graniteville, were installed last night by John W. Bowker, deputy grand chief, assisted by James L. Moss and Mrs. Richard Dugdale. Thirty members of Chelmsford lodge were present and were welcomed by Chief Bowker.

Camp Farragut, of S. of V., observed Lincoln's birthday last evening. Addresses were made by E. A. Robinson, past commander of the Naval Veterans, Charles Brigham, commander of Post 184, and A. J. Boyes, past commander of Post 42. There were selections by the Sons of Veterans' band led by H. B. Anderson; piano solos by Arthur Moore; songs by Misses Grace and Christina Draper. Among the ladies who assisted were Mrs. Hazard, Mrs. Anderson, and Mrs. Hathaway. Capt. Draper presided.

BOWLING NEWS.

The Lowells and Highlands of the City league bowled on Les Miserables alleys last night, the Lowells winning 2355 to 2118. Kelley of the Lowells was high man with a total of 518. Not another man reached the 500 mark. The score:

Lowells—Kelley, 518; Halsted, 459; Howes, 484; McLaughlin, 387; Fullerton, 467; totals, 2355.

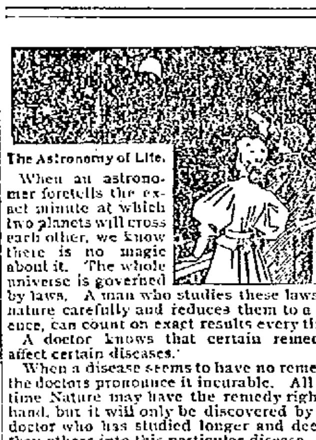
Highlands—Hartwell, 423; Anderson, 439; Wellman, 372; Barton, 472; Dickerman, 421; totals, 2118.

LECTURE IN HIGH SCHOOL HALL.

At the High school hall this evening, Mr. William E. C. Rich will lecture on "The Geology of New England." Mr. Rich is the master of the Mount Vernon school of Boston, Mass., and was to have delivered this lecture at the High school hall on January 26th, but on account of illness, he was forced to cancel his engagement; but Principal Frank S. Clark of the evening High school had arranged to have a first class concert and entertainment to take the place of this lecture and had secured some of the best talent which was to be had in our city, but on account of the inclement weather the concert was postponed and will take place this evening. The tickets which are out for the High school course will still hold good for this concert.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

At last night's meeting of Fall River Council, Knights of Columbus, a number of members expressed the sorrow felt by all Knights over the death of Supreme Knight Hayes. Mr. Hayes was held in the highest regard by the Fall River council. He had planted the seed of the order in that city and had often gone down there from Boston to witness and participate in degree work and installations. Nowhere was he more popular than among the K.C.'s of Fall River, for he was ever ready to point out the advantages to be gained and the lessons to be learned from membership in the order. That he was cut off in the very prime of manhood, when the future had so much in store for him, is a cause of deep regret to all who knew him. Fall River council will take suitable action in the matter.



The Astronomy of Life.

When an astronomer foretells the exact minute at which two planets will cross each other, we know there is no magic about it. The whole universe is governed by laws. A man who studies these laws of nature carefully and reduces them to a science, can count on exact results every time.

A doctor knows that certain remedies affect certain diseases.

When a disease seems to have no remedy, the doctors pronounce it incurable. All the time Nature may have the remedy right at hand, but it will only be discovered by the doctor who has studied longer and deeper than others into this particular disease.

Consumption seemed for a long time without a remedy, until Dr. Pierce made his wonderful "Golden Medical Discovery" 30 years ago. It has proved to be a marvelous and almost unfailing specific for consumption and all forms of lung, bronchial and throat difficulties.

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"Twenty-five years ago eight different doctors told me that I would live but a short time, that I had consumption and must die" writes Geo. R. Coope, Esq., of Myers Valley, Pottawatomie Co., Kans. "I finally commenced taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and am still on the land and among the living. I have faith to believe that it has lengthened my life for the last twenty-five years, and I have so much faith in all of your medicines that I want one of your 'Common Sense Medical Advisers.'"

Dr. Pierce's medicines are recognized as standard remedies throughout the world. His "Pleasant Pellets" cure constipation

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, Feb. 8, 1898.

The Committee on Public Service will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition of George E. Putnam that the salary of the Sheriff of the County of Middlesex may be increased in room No. 435, State House, on Wednesday, February 16th, at 11 o'clock a. m.

—Samuel W. George, Chairman,
James F. Ramsay, Clerk of the Com.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, Feb. 8, 1898.

The Committee on Federal Relations will give a hearing to parties interested in that part of Governor's Address on International Exposition at Paris at room No. 428, State House, on Tuesday, February 15th, at 10 o'clock a. m.

—E. B. Estes, Chairman.
Wm. S. Swift, Clerk of the Com.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, Feb. 8, 1898.

The Committee on Fisheries and Game will give a hearing to parties interested in a bill to more effectually prevent the unlawful use of ferrets for hunting purposes at room No. 465 State House, on Friday, February 11th, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

—Charles O. Bailey, Chairman,
Harvey C. Smith, Clerk of the Com.

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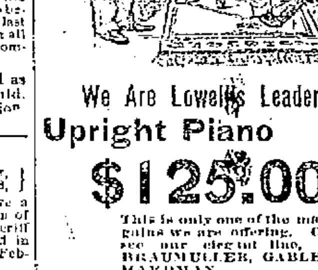

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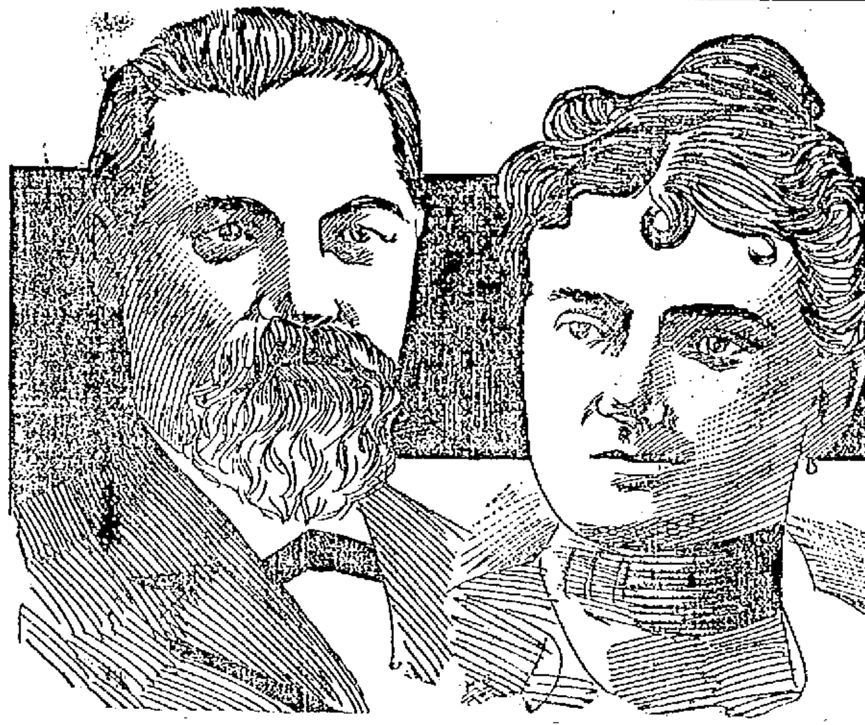
Presenting two new satires, "The Matrimonial Bureau," and "Vassar Girls in Camp." Magnificent scenery. 20 lovely girls 20; 10 big specialty acts 10.

Catarrh of the Stomach.

Causes consumption and death. Mr. Williams writes: "I doctored 3 years for catarrh of stomach, heartburn, difficult breathing, pains around heart, dizziness, sour stomach, watery risings, bloating after eating, biliousness, but after using only one bottle Schoeffler's Dyspepsia Cure I'm the happiest man. May God protect Schoeffler's Dyspepsia Cure." 25c at Goodale's Ellingwood's, Bailey's, Carter & Sherburne's Carleton & Hovey's.

GOLD DUST WASHING POWDER

Dirt of any kind on anything quickly yields to the easy effort of the housewife who uses this great cleaner. Largest package—greatest economy. Ask the grocer for it.



THE CHICAGO SAUSAGE MAKER, LUETGERT, AND HIS WIFE.

LEUTGERT GUILTY

The Jury Recommends Life Imprisonment

FOR THE SAUSAGE MAKERS' AWFUL CRIME.

General Satisfaction at the Prisoner's Conviction.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Adolph L. Luetgert has been convicted of the murder of his wife and sentenced to imprisonment in the penitentiary for life. It was 10:50 o'clock when word was sent by the jurors that they had agreed on a verdict. The news spread like lightning, and in a few minutes the room was jammed with newspaper men, policemen, witnesses, who had given evidence in the trial, and curious spectators.

There was a rush and all eyes turned on Luetgert when the announcement was made. He laughed in a manner that showed that he did not regard the verdict in a serious light, comparatively speaking. Mr. Harmon entered a motion for a new trial, which will be argued within a few days. To the reporters Luetgert said that the verdict was a surprise to him.

"I don't see how the evidence justifies such a verdict," he said, "but one thing is sure, the supreme court will give me a new trial, and I shall be acquitted."

From the time when the prisoner was led in to receive the verdict until the bailiffs conducted him back to his cell his face showed not one tremor of any sort of emotion. After arriving at the jail he retired as usual, apparently undisturbed by the adverse verdict.

TEXTILE SCHOOL

The Petition of the Trustees Presented

TO THE LEGISLATURE FOR AN APPROPRIATION.

The Work of the School Outlined.

The following is the petition of the the resolution upon which a hearing is being given in the state house today:

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled:

Representatives of Commonwealth of Massachusetts, respectfully represent that they are duly incorporated and organized as the "Trustees of the Lowell Textile School," under chapter 475 of the Acts of 1895; that they have received from the city of Lowell twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) and from the commonwealth an equal amount as provided in said act; and that they have established and are conducting a school at Lowell "for instruction in the theory and practical art of textile and kindred branches of industry." The plant, including machinery, fittings, fixtures, etc., is estimated at about seventy-five thousand dollars $75,000) of which about fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) has been contributed by textile and textile machinery manufacturers.

Before asking additional aid of the commonwealth, your petitioners desired and believed that the members of the legislature before considering such a request, would desire an object lesson or working example of a textile school, and they, therefore, rented suitable rooms at the rates charged for space for manufacturing purposes at Lowell and established a textile school therein, to which they invite the careful personal inspection of the members of the legislature.

The first term was opened February 1, 1897 with twenty-three (23) day pupils and one hundred and twenty-eight (128) evening pupils. This term closed June 3, 1897, when the demand for instruction, from mechanics principally, temporarily unemployed a portion of the day was so great that an afternoon summer school was at once opened and that course is still continued in the afternoon.

The first term of the first full school year commenced October 4, 1897, with fifty-five (55) day pupils who paid tuition, five (5) day pupils who receive free instruction for services as assistants in the various departments, and nine (9) decorative art students, seven of whom are young ladies, five being also in the course of textile design. There are also this year one hundred and eighty-five (185) afternoon and evening pupils.

The following tables show the residence and occupation of these pupils:

Students according to States.

Massachusetts	236
Maine	2
New Hampshire	5
Vermont	1
Rhode Island	1
Connecticut	1
Canada	1
Georgia	1
Ohio	2
Mississippi	1
North Carolina	2
New York	1
Total	254

Day Students—Qualifications for Entering.

Graduates of Universities	2
Graduates of Schools of Technology	6
Graduates of High Schools	30
Graduates of Grammar Schools	13
Admitted on Examinations	18
Total	69

Occupation of afternoon and evening students:

1 apprentice, 1 assistant overseer, 1 assistant superintendent, 1 beamer, 4 bookkeepers, 1 calico printer, 1 carder, 1 card grinder, 14 clerks, 1 cloth stamper, 1 cloth inspector, 2 color makers, 1 color matcher, 1 cotton waste merchant, 2 designers, 8 draughtsmen, 1 drawing-fixer, 1 drawer-in, 3 drawing-carriers, 10 dyers, 1 engraver, 2 finishers, 1 learning cotton business, 6 loom fixers, 18 machinists, 1 messenger, 1 mule spinner, 7 mill operatives, 7 overseers, 1 pattern cutter, 1 pin-setter, 1 printer, 1 reed finisher, 1 roving-hand, 1 roving-preparer, 5 second hands, 10 section hands, 2 sketchmakers, 5 slasher tenders, 1 spare hand, 14 spinners, 1 store keeper, 4 students, 1 superintendent, 2 warp dressers, 10 weavers, 1 winder, 2 wool combers, 5 wool sorters, 1 worsted spinner, 4 not given.

Residences of afternoon and evening students:

Lowell, 125; Lawrence, 31; Brighton, 1; Billerica, 12; Chelmsford, 2; Dracut, 3; Methuen, 6; Tewksbury, 1; Andover, 3; Fall River, 1. Total, 185.

The curriculum for the full or day course has been so arranged that the pupil will receive each term after the first, thorough instruction in one or more processes of textile manufacture and thus be fitted for employment therein if he is not able to go farther. He can, therefore, enter the school at the commencement of any term and resume his studies where he left off, and we thus meet a demand for short or special courses without increasing the expenditure for instructors. Pupils are availing themselves of the opportunity thus offered to earn their way through the full course. The petition further dealt with cost of the school for the past year and was signed by the trustees.

HUNTER BALTIMORE RYE

10 YEARS OLD.

WARRANTED A PURE TONICAL STIMULANT

The American Gentleman's Whiskey

E. A. McQUADE, Local Agent.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

Fine job printing done at this office.

Beecham's pills for constipation 10¢ and 25¢. Get the book at your druggist's and go by it.

Annual sales more than 6,000,000 boxes.

WAS NOT ALLOWED

Decision of Judge Holmes in Simpson Case.

ADANATHUS SIMPSON WILL GET HIS SHARE.

The Decision of the Probate Court Sustained.

The decision of the Probate Court in the Simpson will case was sustained by Judge Holmes.

It sets aside the will and asserts the right of Odanathus Simpson of this city to inherit one half the property, which will give him $160,000.

The value of the estate in the hands of the administrator is $50,000, but Odanathus will at once bring a bill to equity to recover from his brother Verrazano the sum of $150,000 that the latter obtained before his mother's death.

The will was contested by Trull & Wier, representing Odanathus and his daughters. Judge Holmes handed down the following decision yesterday afternoon:

At the age of eighty-three, the mother of Verrazano Simpson, after a private conversation, with him, but with the knowledge of no one else, executed a will, leaving her personal property to him and her real estate to his brother, Odanathus. This, as Verrazano knew, meant giving three or four times as much to him as to Odanathus. The will was in his handwriting. Three years after, at the age of eighty-six, after a private interview with him, she sold the house she lived in and a country place to Verrazano, for $150,000, undoubtedly much less than it was worth, receiving his unsecured notes for the amount. These notes would have come back to him under the will which he wrote. In 1892, when his mother was 91, after having failed to pay his notes as they matured, he made a final contract with his mother, by which, among other things, she gave up the notes upon Verrazano's promise to pay $500 a month to her until her death. This amount also was not paid, as agreed, but largely was satisfied by notes, which were in her hands unpaid at her death. I think that anyone who heard that short story would say that it needed a good deal of explanation to prevent his believing that behind the hand of Esau he heard the voice of Jacob. And I say at once that explanation from the interested party is not enough. Several particulars which it is necessary to mention in detail, convinced me that he was not an accurate witness. I agree that the subsequent dealings which I have mentioned are not to prejudice the will unless they should be found to be steps in a common scheme. But that I am strongly inclined to believe them to have been. Before the will was made, Verrazano had tried to buy the whole of his father's estate from his mother for $200,000, which was half its appraised and certainly less than its real value. It was this offer that he referred to, and modified when he made his purchase in 1887. No doubt his ideas and intentions grew more definite and developed as time went on, but I think he took the first steps towards getting control of his father's fortune at an early day. He is shown by his own letters to be no stranger to subterranean plans.

However, I do not rely on events subsequent to the will. Every circumstance connected with it convinces me that I could not allow it to stand with safety. In the first place, Verrazano's testimony as to the conversation between himself and his mother, if I take it literally, is absurd. He represents the thought of a will as suggested to her by his remark that but for his father's will it would have been difficult to settle the estate because of the absence of a brother, Longinus, long unheard of. The remark is so unfounded that it is hard to believe that it was made. His father's will had no provision for Longinus. At another moment his testimony conveys the notion that her first thought of a will was with a view of leaving money to her relations as her husband had to his. His testimony however construed, discloses neither a possible motive for the will, as it was made nor instructions warranting the draft which he prepared. He produces what he says is the draft taken from her lips. It is a neat, lawyerlike document written without hesitation or erasures, with a series of careful provisions systematically set forth. It is unimaginable that such a paper represents the speech and directions of a woman of 83. With this draft in his pocket, he went to a lawyer, not in Lowell, where his mother lived, but in Boston, who prepared a formal will. This he copied with emendations which he says came from his mother but which again have the lawyerlike character of a man accustomed to business and to writing legal instruments, as he was, and which never in the world came from an old woman. Then, instead of letting her execute the will at her house in Lowell, he takes her over to East Cambridge and gets the late Register of Probate, Mr. Tyler, to witness it with two others and leaves it there in the Registry, thus combining secrecy with a look of most respectable precautions.

A receipt is taken, which within a year he takes from his mother's papers and carries off to the West. The secrecy which all this conduct seems to have been aimed at securing was preserved as against all her own family, and most of her neighbors until her death, although the old lady seems to have been pretty outspoken about most of her private affairs. In fact, the secrecy was preserved against all the world, unless I except some little and questionable testimony from two or three persons.

I think I appreciate how a witness under cross-examination finds himself committed, before he knows it, to a niggardly definiteness that does injustice to the events and to himself. I do not hold Mr. Verrazano Simpson quite to the letter of his account of his interviews with his mother.

But the undisputed facts all make against him, whereas unless they gave me a clear and sufficient explanation of a transaction which on its face is as wrong as it can be, I should feel bound to decide against the will, merely on the first elements of the admitted case—a woman of an age when the main spring is almost always broken whatever superficial intelligence may remain; a confidential and trusted adviser; a will in his handwriting, mainly in his favor, executed by his own statement without the knowledge of the rest of the family or a word of counsel from anyone but himself. Exactly how far he went, I may leave to his own conscience. It is enough that in my opinion I am bound to find that he went too far. It was said that she was a woman difficult to manage. I dare say she was stubborn. But few old people are difficult to lead by indirection. I do not attach the least importance to that part of the testimony. There are many details which I have considered in making up my mind which I do not think it necessary to go over.

The broad outline is enough. The result is that the decree of the probate court must be affirmed.

HEAD RELIEF IN TEN MINUTES.—Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder gives almost instant relief and permanently cures Catarrh, Hay Fever, Colds, Headache, Sore Throat, Tonsilitis, and Catarrhal Deafness. One short puff of the powder clears and cleanses the nasal passages. It is painless and delightful to use.—50.

Sold by Ellingwood & Co., Central and Merrimack streets, and C. E. Carter, Branch and Smith streets.

NEW NEGRO PARTY.

Charles H. J. Taylor Is Trying to Organize an Afro-American Party.

Charles H. J. Taylor, formerly minister to Liberia and later recorder of deeds in the District of Columbia, has inaugurated a scheme that may change the relations of the two dominant political parties in the United States. He is now in correspondence with a number of the leading negroes of the Union and is interesting them in organizing an Afro-American party. His plan is to thoroughly organize the people of his race for the forthcoming presidential contest, and he is beginning thus early so that the influence of the new party may make itself felt in the contest.

Taylor clings to the idea that the negro has certain rights as an American citizen for which he should contend as a negro. If he succeeds, the negro will assume a new importance in the political economy of the country, and instead of being a hanger on to the skirts of white politicians the voters of the colored race will present a solid front, and thus there will be a new complication added to already complex politics. The leaders in the cotton belt of the far south and southwest are eager to encourage the movement, which appears to be taking shape for the next national campaign even at this early date.

His present project, to which he will devote himself from now until the next presidential campaign, is the formation of a national Afro-American party, with the purpose of putting out a full ticket in the next campaign, he arguing that this is the only true way in which the negro can obtain the recognition due to his advancement and his rights under the government.—Chicago Record.

NEW HATS

Spring styles on several lines are here and ready.

OUR SPECIAL BLOCK,

THE Uncle Sam Derby

is as usual a neat and dressy hat. We have improved many features of this popular block and in the various proportions it will become more new than any other hat sold in Lowell.

PRICE $2.00

A GUARANTEED HAT.

O'Hearn & Dowd

OLD POST OFFICE.

FROM OUR 5 O'CLOCK EDITION Of Yesterday.

THREE MEN DEAD

Together They Drank a Jug of Whiskey.

TOOK EXTRACT OF LEMON AS CHASER

And Followed it With Patent Medicine.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Weston, W. Va., Feb. 9.—Three men are dead in Glenville, Gilmer county, as a result of a spree. Gilmer county is a prohibition county. The men subscribed for a jug of whiskey and shipped it from Wheeling and soon exhausted it. They then bought a case of extract of lemon and a case of patent medicine for cholera, composed of alcohol, ginger, capsicum and other hot ingredients. All became sick and died.

POTTER'S ELECTION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 9.—According to the figures of the friends of Isaac B. Potter, his vote for the presidency of the L.A.W. will be 214, while the number necessary to elect is 170.

EIGHT-HOUR LAW.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Colorado Springs, Col., Feb. 9.—The recent decision of Judge Lunt practically nullifies the eight-hour labor law passed by the Colorado legislature. The judge throws the case out of court on the ground that the law was an interference with the person's right to make his contract for labor.

STORES FOR MAINE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The torpedo boat Cushing has been sent with stores to Havana for the battleship Maine. It will leave in a day or two.

SECOND DAY'S EMCAMPMENT.

By Associated Press to The Sun

Boston, Feb. 9.—The second day of the encampment of the Massachusetts G.A.R. opened this morning. Commander-in-chief Gobin made a speech urging the comrades to touch elbows and resist the attacks on honesty. George M. Fiske of Newton, an anti-House of Lords man was elected junior vice-commander.

SENATOR ALLEN'S RESOLUTION

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The senate committee on foreign relations decided to make an adverse report on the proposition of Senator Allen to amend the diplomatic appropriation bill so as to recognize the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents.

MORE FILIBUSTERING

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, Feb. 9.—The World says that another filibustering expedition is believed to have gotten away from the Long Island coast on Monday night. It is thought to have carried members of the expedition wrecked on the Tillie two weeks ago. Arms and ammunition were carried out to the vessel by the steam lighter Agnes.

SUBSCRIPTION PARTY.

HELD IN MECHANICS HALL LAST NIGHT.

The final in the series of Mechanics' Hall subscription parties was held last evening, and was by all means a function more delightful than any other in the series.

The usual whist playing was dispensed with, and dancing became the main attraction. The gowns of the young ladies were most attractive, while the young men were attired in evening dress. The party numbered fifty couples who represented all the leading Catholic families in the city. It was strictly a young people's party, and the company enjoyed four hours of uninterrupted pleasure. An amusing feature was the "cake walk" introduced during the progress of one of the quadrilles.

The prizes were awarded to Mrs. George M. Harrigan, Miss Minnie Teague, John J. Hogan, Esq., and Mr. James E. Donnelly. Music for the dancing was furnished by Hibbard's orchestra, the musicians occupying seats on a platform behind a bower of palms and ferns.

The floor was in charge of Mr. John W. McEvoy, who was aided in the arrangements by Mr. James E. O'Donnell, Mr. Thomas A. Johnson, Mr. Michael E. Corbett, Mr. Dennis J. Murphy, Mr. Joseph F. Donohue, Mr. Martin H. Reidy, Mr. William A. Hogan, and Mr. John R. Mealey.

The guests of the evening were Mr. Thomas A. Johnson of Boston, Mr. Clark of New York, and Dr. Maloney of Providence.

The matrons were Mrs. George M. Harrigan, Mrs. Miles F. Brennan and Mrs. John J. Hogan.

The party repaired to the dining hall during intermission and partook of a fine supper provided by the D. L. Page company.

RUSSIA'S POSITION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—Much importance is attached to the communication in the official messenger in which it is stated that Russia has abandoned the candidacy of Prince George of Greece for the governorship of the Island of Crete. It threatens all concerned and declines all responsibility for the consequence of further dragging the question and will neither allow an increase in the number of the Turkish troops in Crete nor be a party to any coercion of the Cretans.

STORMY SCENES

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Paris, Feb. 9.—Despite precautions, there was a repetition of yesterday's stormy scenes at the trial of Zola today. A crowd of young lawyers made a disturbance at the door and some of them were arrested by troops. General Boisdeffre refused to testify under the plea of professional and state secrets. Madame Dreyfus was allowed to testify only upon the Esterhazy case.

A LOWELL MAN

Elected Secy. of International Building Laborers.

AT THE CONVENTION IN BOSTON YESTERDAY.

Convention Votes to Join A. F. of L.

Boston, Feb. 9.—John Keohane of Boston, representing the Building Laborers' union, No. 15, was elected international president at the convention of the Building Laborers International union in Electrical Workers' hall yesterday.

The convention ended its seven days' convention last evening after having had a most successful gathering.

The question of affiliating with the other great trades unions under one American Federation of Labor was one of the first matters to be considered yesterday. After a debate lasting about half an hour, it was unanimously decided to affiliate with the A. F. of L.

This action is expected to increase the membership of the organization about 4000 members, as the local unions of the craft throughout the country now affiliated directly with the A. F. of L. will be required to sever their direct connection with that body and by joining the Building Laborers' international union have connection with the federation through their international body.

It is claimed that there are 40 local unions not affiliated with the organization and that they will be required to make application to President Keohane during the next 30 days.

Election of officers being ordered, the following were chosen for the next year: John Keohane, Union 15, president; Michael Crump, Union 20, first vice president; Thomas Martin, Union 3, second vice president; Thomas Sullivan, Union 10, third vice president; Luke Ratigan, Lowell union, secretary; Daniel Moynihan, Union 1, treasurer. These officers will constitute the governing body of the organization.

MISERY IN IRELAND.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

London, Feb. 9.—The debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne was resumed in the House of Commons this morning. Michael Davitt called attention to the distress in Ireland. John Dillon said that the misery in Ireland was a scandal for the government.

FEMALE BURGLARS.

The police of Lowell and Chief Conway of North Billerica, are of the opinion that a female burglar or several of them have been abroad and are still in the vicinity. On January 21 a man and woman both young went to a boarding house in North Billerica and engaged a room, the man saying that he was going to work in the mill on Monday. He was called in time for work on Monday, Jan. 24, and went away. About 9 o'clock that morning, when the lady of the house went to awaken the woman she found that the latter had got out taking with her three sets of underclothing, dresses, corsets, stockings, shoes, two pins and a bracelet, leaving her old clothing. Neither of the two has been heard from since.

On January 11 Mrs. Nellie M. Haynes of 14 Lamb street locked up her house and went to Nashua on a visit. She returned on February 6 and found the rear door open. Upon entering the house she found that her bed had been slept in, while nearby it, lay an old pair of corsets and an old pair of ladies' stockings. But missing from the house was a pair of corsets, black silk dress, veil, shawl, shoes and other articles of feminine attire, showing that the thief must have been a woman. On the night of January 17, neighbors saw a light burning on the house and supposed that Mrs. Haynes had returned.

A VERY HEAVY FOG

Hangs Over New York To-day.

CAUSES SEVERAL COLLISIONS OF FERRY BOATS.

Elevated Trains Also in Collision.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, Feb. 9.—The fog here is impenetrable. Nothing on the water can be seen and objects a few yards distant are invisible. Hundreds of vessels are waiting outside for the fog to lift. The trains are greatly impeded. There were several collisions of ferry boats. There was a collision of two trains on the elevated road on account of the fog, but no one was hurt. Two other collisions on the elevated road occurred later in the afternoon and several were hurt. The sound steamers were obliged to anchor outside.

LAPHAM MILLS.

REOPENED AT PROVIDENCE—SOME OF THE STRIKERS RETURN TO WORK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 9.—The machinery in the Lapham mills started this morning. Twenty weavers entered the mill and will run seventy-five looms. The manager says he will not shut down again, and if the strikers do not return at once, he will get new help and force the strikers to move from the tenements owned by the company.

WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Boston, Feb. 9.—At the session of the Women's Relief Corps today, Mrs. Josephine A. Burdick was elected president.

KRUGER AGAIN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Pretoria, Transvaal Republic, Feb. 9.—Paul Kruger has been re-elected as president of the South African Republic.

MEDICINE for the MILLION..

A Popular Proprietary Medicine Sold at Retail for Five Cents a Package—the first experimental step in a direction that may lead to a revolution in the trade.

A New York company of manufacturing chemists, the Ripans Chemical Company, placed upon the market about five years ago a medicinal tablet or "tabule" composed of compressed powdered preparations of certain medicinal drugs which had been ascertained to be of more general use among medical men than any other, for the cure or alleviation of such ills common to us as have their origin in an impaired digestion or weakened capacity for assimilating food, absorbing nourishment and eliminating waste. The catalogue of ills included under this head is said to include pretty nearly every disease for which the physician is called upon to prescribe. In preparing their standard remedy for the acceptance of the American people the company laid down the principle that everything entering into the packet should be of the highest grade, and so prepared and protected as to retain its qualities intact and unimpaired through any extended lapse of time in any climate. Only the choicest drugs should be used, their preparation should be in accordance with the latest perfected methods of modern science, the tabules packed in glass, protected by absorbent cotton, and securely corked. Even the corks used have been of a grade so high in its requirements that no manufacturer of these every day stoppers could supply more than a small proportion from his output that would meet the exacting specifications. The glass vials were in turn packed in boxes of a quality not surpassed in beauty and perfection of workmanship by those used by the most fastidious dealers in jewels and ornaments of gold. Having set their high standard, and never consenting to vary from it, the proprietors resorted to the accepted modern methods of making their commodity known, and seven hundred thousand dollars invested within five years in newspaper advertising has informed every American citizen concerning the superior and surprising qualities of Ripans Tabules.

Being thoughtful and painstaking observers of the changed conditions that sweep over the commercial world, and careful to note every circumstance having a bearing upon the successful prosecution of their trade, the managers of the company have noted that there is a present insistent demand for a lower price for every article that reaches or approaches an universal use, and that the people, although requiring the best of everything, resent being called upon to pay heavy percentages for superfluous wrapping and packing or unnecessary protection against deterioration that might result in years, but is needless in the case of a purchase intended to be consumed in a week. It has also been discovered, and proved by the test of time and actual experience, that these Tabules do not have the tendency to loss of qualities or diminution of excellence from exposure that it was at first have been expected, inasmuch as, under favorable conditions, those that have lain loose in a drawer, a travelling bag or pocket for several weeks or months are found to be practically as fresh and as efficacious as ever.

Acting upon these suggestions, and noting particularly the unimpaired prosperity of great newspapers now sold for a cent instead of the old rate of five times that amount, and the general tendency in all directions toward low rates and increased sales, the company have entered upon the experiment of putting up Ripans Tabules in pasteboard cartons, which they will offer to the trade upon terms which will permit of a package being sold by the druggist or storekeeper at a price lower than ever before adopted for a proprietary medicine—FIVE CENTS—ten tabules, or doses, for one-half a cent each.

The company will not discontinue the manufacture and sale in the form with which the people have learned to know and value the Ripans Tabules, but will offer the cheaper sort—experiment only—for the benefit of such as may desire them. It should be clearly understood that the quality of the medicine is identical in both sorts, the only difference being in the form and comparative cost of packing or putting up. The five cent packages are not yet to be had of all dealers, although it is probable that almost any druggist will obtain a supply when requested by a customer to do so; but in any case a single carton, containing ten tabules, will be sent, postage paid, to any address for five cents in stamps, forwarded to the Ripans Chemical Co., No. 10 Spruce St., New York. Until the goods are thoroughly introduced to the trade, agents and peddlers will be supplied at a price which will allow them a fair margin of profit, viz.: 1 dozen cartons for 48 cents. 12 dozen (144 cartons) for $4.32. 5 gross (720 cartons) for $20.52. 25 gross (3,600 cartons) for $100. Cash with the order in every case.

Still Moving Towards the Top

While others follow. Such low prices as the

Estey Co.

are making and such liberal terms were never heard of in Lowell

OPERATORS OF 23 STORES

ALSO MANUFACTURERS

So you can save one man's profit—New Line of Pianos to Select From. Lowell's leaders for bargains. Call and see us before you purchase elsewhere.

ESTEY PARLORS, 145 Merrimack St.

THE LOWELL SUN
JOHN H. HARRINGTON, Proprietor.
SUN BUILDING, LOWELL, MASS.
Member of The Associated Press.
Per Year, $3.00. Per Month, 25c.

SEEN BETTER DAYS

There are at least two local papers with less than one-fifth the circulation of THE SUN. They may have seen better days, but the only remnant of their former glory is the high price they charge for advertising.

If the price they ask is a fair one, THE SUN would be justified in asking five times as much, but we do not ask even twice as much. Don't you see why advertising in THE SUN is the cheapest in Lowell?

THE SUN has a larger circulation than any two papers in the city. It is in every respect

LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER.

President McKinley's answer to Minister DeLome's insult might be expressed in two words—"Get out."

THE ALDERMANIC MAJORITY.

It appears that the democratic majority in the board of aldermen has not availed itself of the powers placed in its hands in the upper board to block the republican schemers and secure a number of democratic appointments. There is no question whatever that if the democratic aldermen stood firmly together, they might have secured the appointment of several democratic officials. But instead of doing this, they elected Mr. Going city messenger; Tilton, superintendent of commons; Cheney, superintendent of streets; and True, superintendent of lands and buildings. There is no other vacancy for the head of any department, but we presume that if there was the aldermen would be willing to sanction the choice of the republicans. Perhaps we are unjust to some of the aldermen on the points stated, as not all may have voted for republicans, but it seems that none of them offered any serious objection to the action taken. To our mind, the worst feature of all is, that Mr. True's election to the office he now holds was the recompense which Councilman Lang sought from republicans for having led three democrats to commit themselves in offering to comply with his request for a bribe. Lang's perfidy has been rewarded in True's election.

STRIKERS FIRM.

Judging from the statements in Mr. Cunnane's letter to The Sun and from information from other sources, it appears that the New Bedford strikers are standing together much more firmly than has been represented by the daily papers. The prospects of outside support are daily becoming more encouraging and now the leaders at New Bedford are assured of sufficient funds to relieve all the actual distress in New Bedford. The citizens of New Bedford, it seems, are showing great liberality in aiding the strikers by distributing provisions of various kinds, as well as by opening soup dispensaries. The real difficulty, therefore, is in keeping the non-union strikers from returning to work. They are more difficult to manage and restrain than are the union operatives, and in their management lies success or failure of the strike. They refuse to remain out of work unless they get a reasonable support from the funds contributed to relieve the distress. It is, therefore, plainly the duty of the other mill cities of New England to stand by their New Bedford brethren in this crisis, inasmuch as Mr. Cunnane has stated that the fight now being waged in New Bedford is the fight of Lowell, Lawrence, Fall River, and the other mill cities of New England.

If the New Bedford strikers lose in this battle, then the prospect of having the old scale of wages restored in any of the cities mentioned will be almost hopeless. It is encouraging to find that the city of Lawrence has started a fund, following the example of Lowell and The Sun of that city, we are glad to say, is doing good work for the cause, backed by the labor unions.

WERE THEY RECKLESSLY BRAVE

There is a general sentiment that the six firemen who were killed in Boston exposed themselves to unnecessary danger in rushing into a five-story building while a fire was raging in the top story. It is plain that there must always be danger under such circumstances, inasmuch as the weight of the superstructure is liable to bring the timbers to the ground, especially when any of the supports are destroyed or weakened by fire. In such a fire, it seems that the firemen could do good work from the outside, where there would be no danger whatever. It is very desirable, of course, that firemen should exercise due courage in fighting the flames, but it should also be remembered that human life is more precious than any old fire trap building and should not be exposed to unnecessary dangers.

The many hairbreadth escapes of District Chief Egan indicated that he never considered his personal safety while fighting a fire. His escape from the Brown-Durrell building on an electric wire cable was one of the most thrilling scenes in the history of fire fighting in Boston, and another case in which his life was saved by his hanging to the coping of the building was almost equally marvelous. It was not surprising that those who knew his daring at fire fighting, predicted that he would eventually be caught where there would be no escape and so lose his life. The prediction has been verified and the whole city of Boston mourns the loss of one of its bravest firemen with a number of others who were always ready to follow their chief wherever he led. The bereaved families will indeed have widespread sympathy, and it is gratifying to know that the sympathy is being shown in a financial way by the citizens of Boston, who have already subscribed a large amount for the bereaved family, while the city council of Boston has voted an annuity for each of the families, which is an extraordinary mark of gratitude.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Portland Argus—President McKinley called an extra session of congress last year for the sole avowed purpose of devising means for the immediate relief of the government whereby the deficit should be stopped. The republican party has been in power ten months; their "revenue" bill has been in operation nearly seven months, and here is the financial statement up to date: Increase of debt for January less cash in the treasury, $12,559,771; increase in deficit during the month, excluding Union Pacific payments and receipts, $7,891,481; total deficit since July 1, 1897, seven months, $51,001,823. A deficit of $52,000,000 in seven months! What comment is needed on that?

Kennebec Journal—The officers of the Maine were recently entertained at Havana with a bull fight. This really appears to be about all the active fighting that has been done of late in that portion of Cuba. The Spanish troops are dying off quite rapidly from exposure and neglect and the insurgents are apparently quite willing to get rid of them in this way. Every day serves to give new emphasis to the hopelessness of the Spanish cause in Cuba.

New York Times—Mr. McKinley's personal and political admirers can boast that of fully 3000 names sent by him to the senate in the last 10 months not one has been rejected. Why should they have been rejected? They were practically furnished to the President by the republican senators and when they came back from the White House these senators acted upon them under an understanding that no senator would make objections as long as his own men were approved.

Chicago News—As matters stand the senators will take the interest on their government bonds in silver, while the house members will take theirs in gold, and the rest of the public will take theirs in checks or in their minds, as heretofore.

Brooklyn Times—Mayor Van Wyck is being importuned by the different women's organizations to re-appoint the women members of the school board of this city. There are five of them and they go out of office this June. The Brooklyn Times would advise its women friends to be patient under trial, for they are to be sorely tried. The Brooklyn Times will be non-plussed if Mayor Van Wyck consents to name any women, especially in Brooklyn for any public office. Mr. McLaughlin does not favor it, in the first place, and in the second place, the democratic party never wastes positions for the simple delight of experimenting with new fads. Tammany will hardly give the ladies a chance. It needs these places, even with all it has. As the miser grows more niggardly, the more he accumulates, so the appetite of Tammany sharpens upon what it feeds on.

Boston Transcript—The New England mill operatives do not make so long hours as do those of the South, but they make more and better cloth. They are more intelligent, as well as more skilled than the southern mill operatives. In the long run industrial victory comes to the section which has the best labor, as is demonstrated in England as against the continent. There is a disposition in this country to believe that when an industry is established in a section to which it is a stranger, it must presage the extinction of the business in all sections where it previously flourished. Thus, when the southern iron boom began, there were many people who believed that Alabama would drive Pennsylvania out of the field. Nothing of the kind has happened. Pennsylvania's foundries and furnaces are doing a bigger business than ever before. They have at their doors a population with which skill in iron working is almost a hereditary possession. The resources of capital and transportation are near at hand. Alabama has built up her iron business, but has not pulled down that of Pennsylvania. After the present flurry in the cotton industry is over, it will be found, we are confident, that New England mills can be run at a profit, despite the extension of the industry in the South. Candid southerners tell us that southern mills make very little cloth of a character that brings it into competition with the product of New England looms.

ENGINE DISABLED.

While coming down from Lowell yesterday, Engine 687, attached to the northern freight, was disabled by the breaking of a draw casting. The accident occurred at Medfield and Fitchburg Engine 50 brought the train to this city.—Fall River Globe.

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Our Washington correspondent calls attention to the scheme reported to be under way, backed by the money power and the cuckoo crowd, to restore to its pristine vigor the frayed myth of the "pivotal states," says the Atlanta Constitution. This scheme, which was very successfully carried out for many years, and which caused the Democratic party many sore and disastrous defeats, consisted in the demands of the Democratic delegates from the hopeless or doubtful states that they be permitted to dictate the platform and nominate the candidates.

Our readers know the methods by which this scheme was carried out quadrennially. There was always the threat to the national convention that if it didn't put this in the platform or leave out the other, it would be impossible to carry New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, and the campaign would be for nothing. In this way the certain Democratic states were for years bound hand and foot by men pretending to be Democrats, but in reality standing for and representing all that is most obnoxious to Democracy.

The scheme was further favored by the anomalous position of the southern states, the victims of reconstruction and the target for all the venom and vindictiveness that prejudice could breed.

But this is ancient history now. Sectionalism is dead and prejudice is played out on both sides. In 1896 the real Democrats of the country asserted themselves and wrote into their platform the doctrines of pure Democracy. This was more than the time servers could stand, and they retired from the party or took no part in the campaign.

It is not at all surprising to hear that the old scheme is to be worked again. Ground is to be broken for a "compromise," and an effort is to be made to emasculate the Chicago platform to suit the peculiar views of those who may not agree with it.

We have no doubt, however, that there is a disagreeable surprise in store for the gentry who are engaged in this particular deal. The Constitution violates no confidence when it informs them that the scheme they have in hand was forestalled months ago, and their plans anticipated. In fact notice to this effect was served on them some months ago. If they had ears to hear, they could not have missed the inward meaning and purport of much that has been printed in the columns of Democratic newspapers on the "pivotal states."

But if there has been any misunderstanding whatever we hasten to remove it. In nearly every state in the Union the real Democratic organization is in the hands of those who are in hearty accord with the Chicago platform. It follows, therefore, that the number of those who attend the next Democratic convention with a view of emasculating the platform will be fewer in number than they were in the convention of 1896—and this is saying a great deal.

But perhaps it is idle to criticise or even discuss a scheme so futile and foolish. It could not succeed even if no measures had been taken to forestall it. As matters stand, it will never reach the doors of the national convention. The issue is not one of "pivotal states," but of democracy against plutocracy. Democratic principles are to be pitted against the greed of the plutocrats. The issue is between the restoration of bimetallism and the wreck and ruin of the gold standard. The voters will have to take their choice without any regard to "pivotal states."

And as for a compromise of Democratic principles, it will not be considered. There will be no such compromise, no evasion, no dodging. The people must vote on the naked and unrelieved issues that have arisen between the Democrats and the plutocrats.

M'KINLEY AND THE TOILER.

He Professes Sympathy For Him, but His Acts Belie His Words.

President McKinley manifests a lively interest in the welfare of the wage-worker. He wants American workmen to have living wages. He is sorry that the people are suffering in New England. He thinks it is a pity that such a state of affairs should exist as that which now obtains among the cotton mill operatives. Doubtless the president's emotional nature has been touched by the stories of destitution and suffering which come to him from New England. Doubtless for the moment he really feels sorry for those unfortunate workers thrown out of employment in the dead of winter. But emotion is not practical philanthropy; it is not even justice.

If President McKinley is sorry for the workingmen, why does he place enemies to labor in a position of power? Why did he appoint Governor Griggs attorney general? What is John Griggs' record? He voted against a bill to make wages a preferred debt in cases of insolvency. He voted against a bill to establish a half holiday on Saturday. He voted against a bill to prevent child labor in factories operating intricate and dangerous machinery. He voted against a bill making it illegal for an employer to prevent his employees from becoming members of labor organizations. He voted against a bill requiring fire escapes on factory buildings more than three stories high. McKinley pities the laboring man and appoints John W. Griggs attorney general.—Chicago Dispatch.

BOXING GOSSIP.

Peter Maher is hard at work training for his coming contest with Thunderbolt C. C. Smith, which will take place in Philadelphia on February 15, the limit being six rounds. Maher is doing his work at Point Breeze track, near Philadelphia, and judging from the reports that come from there, he is leaving no stone unturned to get into good shape for the bout. Smith is a tough proposition, as Peter knows from experience, and he will take no chances with the husky colored man. On the occasion of their last meeting at Buffalo, the reports of the bout gave Smith the credit of beating Maher in the first few rounds, and only the greatest kind of hustling by the Irishman brought him the winner's end of the purse. Peter always had a hankering after a return match with Smith, and in a conversation with a friend said that he was confident that he would make the Thunderbolt travel faster than he ever went in his life if they ever met again. The bout is attracting general attention, owing to Smith's capacity for taking a punching and his powers of recuperation after a cruel cross fire of hot shot from an opponent.

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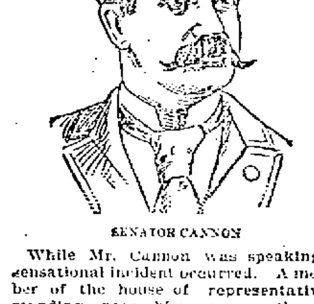
FIERCE FIGHT IN SENATE

Senator Mason Stands for Recognizing the Insurgents.

Senator Hale Upheld the Present Policy—He Said it Would Embarras the Administration—Others Heard on Both Sides.

Washington, Feb. 10.—For more than three hours yesterday the senate chamber rang with eloquent appeals in behalf of the Cuban insurgents. Speeches were delivered by Mr. Cannon of Utah and Mr. Mason of Illinois in advocacy of the adoption of resolutions which they had presented. Following Mr. Cannon's speech, Mr. Hale of Maine urged the senate to uphold the policy of the administration. He pointed out that much had already been accomplished by President McKinley not only for the cause of peace on the island, but also for the protection of the Americans and American interests, and for the relief of the reconcentradoes and pacificos. He maintained that it would not be a good policy, by the adoption of a drastic declaration, to place the administration in leading strings that might interfere with the carrying into effect of a defined policy.

Long before Mr. Cannon began his address the galleries were packed with people who were aware that this would be a field day of Cuban oratory. Mr. Cannon's speech was a calm and dispassionate argument in support of his resolution. He did not, he maintained, desire to disturb the peace or welfare of government, but he warned congressmen and officials in administration circles that unless definite action was taken upon the Cuban question by the United States the heavy hand of the people would fall upon them. He declared that in the conflict in Cuba, Spain, afraid to meet the insurgents in the field, had resorted to a policy of bribery and starvation. Of this he believed the American people could not be brought to approve.



SENATOR CANNON

While Mr. Cannon was speaking a sensational incident occurred. A member of the house of representatives, standing near him, apparently denounced as a lie statements Mr. Cannon made, that every rifle in the hands of the Cuban patriots had cost them $200. Amid considerable excitement Mr. Hale addressed the vice president, expressing the hope that the rules of the senate would be strictly observed. After quiet had been restored, Mr. Cannon, who was evidently painfully affected by his emotion, said: "I do not ordinarily object to remarks of denial concerning statements which I make on this floor. However, to a statement which I just made the audible comment was added that it was a lie. I care less, Mr. President, for the remark than for the spirit which actuated it. I reassert that it is a solemn truth that the Cuban patriots have paid $200 for every rifle they have in use in their army. These arms have come from the United States. Every railroad and every express company and every filibustering expedition which has landed ammunitions of war on the island of Cuba has taken its deadly toll." After some discussion of the general features of the Cuban question, Mr. Cannon said: "I charge now that the purpose of the administration is in consonance with the wishes of the Spanish bondholders, and before peace is secured in Cuba security for the payment of that tremendous debt must be given by the bloodstained island. That I say appears to be the wish of the administration, and I may say of Spain."

There was a buzz of comment as Senator Mason arose and his resolution was read from the desk. He had hesitated long, he said, as he feared that by an incautious step he might injure rather than benefit the Cuban cause; but he was ready to take the step now, feeling that any blame must fall on him, for he assumed full, personal responsibility. "I deny the insinuation," said he sharply, "that this is an effort to put the administration in leading strings." He was a Republican, and he was proud of the patriotism of the executive, but spoke his personal convictions on the cause of Cuba. "I am charged with seeking war," exclaimed the senator, "but my resolution is for peace. One word from this administration would bring peace to this continent, and under the providence of God we believe it would bring independence to Cuba."

The thumbscrews of the inquisition were again brought into use in Cuba, proceeded Mr. Mason. The pinchers that tore the flesh from human bones had contributed to the carnival of cruelty. Three hundred thousand people starved; 300,000 more were marching to the grave, and yet the cry was being raised that war was being sought, when the one and only cry was for peace and an end to this atrocity.

Mr. Hale interrupted to say that Mr. Mason's figures of those said to be dead and starving were far exaggerated and out of all proportion to the known population of the island. "Such statements are monstrous," declared Mr. Hale.

"That's what I think," interposed Mr. Mason, and again the galleries applauded vigorously.

The statement was monstrous, added Mr. Hale, in its inconsistency with the known number of people on the island. The figures given would show, he added, that one out of three of the population had died.

"Yes, and in some provinces 50 per cent, or one in two," answered Mr. Mason. He said he would establish his statement by the letters of Mr. Pepper, a man recognized as conservative in his statements.

"This government ought to maintain that the horrible massacres which are now too common in Cuba and conducted under the guise of warfare," Mr. Mason went on, "must be stopped. We have no right as a neutral nation fully regardful of the rights of all to look upon such a warfare as within any reasonable construction of international law. The flag of truce has been abandoned, prisoners of war are being shot, and it is evident that no rule of warfare is being observed. The conflict has developed into a mere matter of murder on both sides—prisoners of war being shot or macheted without trial."

Now that the Spanish forces have refused to open battle, said Mr. Mason, the only hope of Spain is to overcome the Cuban leaders by bribes. Mr. Mason contended that Uncle Sam was in effect a policeman whose duty it was to exercise his power to prevent further bloodshed upon the island.

"Should the president take such action," declared Mr. Mason, "he would have behind him the army and navy, and above all the people." While men and women were starving, the senator said, the bucketshops sent us price lists.

"These stock jobbers," he exclaimed, "tell us that war is hell. In Cuba it is worse than hell." Mr. Mason said that when the bucketshops wrote the legislation of the country the evil day was upon us.

Mr. Cannon again took the floor for a brief personal explanation bearing upon the scene in which he had participated towards the close of his remarks. He said the gentleman to whose utterances he had taken exception had explained to him that he had reference to another subject. He was willing to accept the explanation, as he had no doubt the senate would be.

G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT.

Boston, Feb. 10.—The 32nd annual encampment of the G. A. R. of Massachusetts came to a close yesterday after one of the most interesting and eventful sessions in the history of the organization in this state. The rebuke which the so-called "house of lords" received by the election of William H. Bartlett department commander over John E. Gilman, the candidate of the regulars, was followed Wednesday by those opposed to the old order, presenting resolutions still further condemning the sitting of past department commanders in the annual encampment. As the resolutions were subsequently adopted, each post will vote on the question of abolishing this institution. The order further provides that if a majority of the posts of the state is opposed to the "house of lords," the national encampment to be held in Cincinnati in September shall be memorialized to have the law annulled.

In accordance with the usual custom the encampment wound up with a banquet in Faneuil hall. About 700 comrades gathered around the tables on the floor of the hall and on the platform.

CHALLENGE TO A DUEL.

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 10.—A political sensation has been created by the publication of a letter from Colonel Thomas E. Moore of Bourbon county, a leading Democrat, denouncing Desha Breckinridge, son of Colonel W. C. P. Breckinridge, editor of The Herald, and suggesting a duel to settle their differences. Colonel Moore is an ex-Confederate and is paralyzed in his right arm. He suggests that both use left arms. Colonel Moore was recently suggested as a penitentiary commissioner, and The Herald ridiculed him. This led to the challenge.

OLDEST MASON AND ODD FELLOW.

San Bernadino, Cal., Feb. 10.—George Lord, the oldest Mason in the United States and probably in the world, and also the oldest Odd Fellow in this country, is dead. He was born in New York city June 27, 1800, and first came to California in 1849.

JAPAN'S NOTE TO CHINA.

London, Feb. 10.—The Pekin correspondent of The Times says: "The Japanese minister, Yano Funio, regretfully intimates to the Tsung-Li-Yamen the inability of his government, having regard to the obligations contracted by Japan, to grant an extension of the time for payment of the indemnity. Though no official statement has been issued, the negotiations for a loan from British sources are regarded as having failed."

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WILLIAMS' TRIAL

The Prisoner Shows no Sign of Fear

BUT THE EVIDENCE IS VERY DAMAGING.

The Story of His Hold up a Fake.

Salem, Mass., Feb. 10.—Hour after hour yesterday the hearing of testimony in the Williams murder trial held the attention of jury, Justices Braley and Dunbar and a crowd of interested spectators. The prisoner sat through it all without trace of emotion other than of intense interest in what was being told. He shows no trace of fear or even apprehension. Evidently he has every confidence that his lawyers will be able to break that chain of circumstantial evidence which the government claims to have without a flaw from beginning to end.

The testimony was largely upon the actions of Williams just previous to and immediately after the discovery of the fire in the little hut at Lynnfield, in the ruins of which the supposed body of the missing John Gallo was found. Members of the Daley family, who live opposite the spot where Williams claims to have been held up the night previous to the murder of Gallo and the fire in the shanty, were upon the stand. One and all testified that they had neither heard nor seen anything of such a squabble in the road as Williams had described.

DAVIS' GOBETWEEN.

Middlebury, Vt., Feb. 10.—The most important contribution to the testimony against Smith Davis for the alleged murder of Dora Cushman was given by William Brittell, who was arrested last August as an accessory. Brittell spent some time in jail, but was able to secure his release under bonds. He has since turned state's evidence. Brittell is the man who is said to have acted as a gobetween for Davis and Dora Cushman. He testified that he had made appointments for them to meet on various occasions, and that he had arranged the meeting of the two in the pasture on the afternoon of the girl's death. He went over the mountain to Warren at Davis' request and got from one Herbert Poland a cologne bottle partially filled with liquid. Poland asked witness to tell Davis to mix two tablespoonsfull with half a pint of alcohol and give the mixture to the girl. These instructions were delivered, and later Davis asked witness if the girl had taken any of the preparation. Brittell said she had not, as the alcohol was too strong. Witness made a preparation in which brandy alcohol was used. Brittell also testified that Davis slept very little during the time immediately preceding the girl's death. Davis had a small box which he carefully guarded, and one day he told witness that he had an instrument in his pocket. He requested witness to go to the Cushman home and tell Dora to meet him (Davis) in a berryfield that afternoon, as he had something very important to tell her. The message was delivered as requested.

Dr. Adolphus J. Cushman, father of the girl, was the next witness, and his evidence was mainly in corroboration of previous testimony. On cross-examination the defense devoted all its efforts to throw discredit on the standing of the physician, who had instruments similar to those that caused Dora's death, which she might have possibly got in her possession and used. The witness testified that no one who had not a key could get the articles, as he always carried the key with him. The witness passed through a trying ordeal.

WERE SHOT IN THE BACK.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 10.—At the deputies' trial yesterday Ellery Benin, an undertaker of Hazelton, who buried 13 of the victims, gave their names and described their wounds, saying all were shot in the back except one who had a bullet in his forehead.

John Andreaski said: "As soon as I heard the shooting I fell down near the railroad tracks and about 30 yards from the deputies. They fired a volley and then a lot of separate shots, and the sheriff and two men ran right out of the line of deputies and upon the railroad track, crying out, 'Come back, you —— and we'll fix you,' to the fleeing strikers, at the same time shooting two or three times." The witness pointed out Frank Clark as one of two deputies with the sheriff; he could not identify the other. Court adjourned at this point. The commonwealth has about 100 more witnesses.

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THE RULES FOR TROTTING

No More Hobbles to be Used on the Track After 1898.

Drivers Must Have Licenses—Eligibility of Horses Must be Established—Other Notes.

New York, Feb. 10.—Two questions that have been much discussed in trotting circles, viz., the abolishing of hobbles and the licensing of drivers, came in for a brief discussion when the rules bearing upon these subjects were reached at Wednesday's meeting of the National Trotting association. The rules committee had evidently settled these questions, for there was little difference of opinion at the meeting regarding the propriety of adopting such rules.

The section adopted regarding the use of hobbles now reads: "Horses wearing hobbles shall not be eligible to start in races on the grounds of members after Jan. 1, 1899." The rule regarding the licensing of drivers provides that no rider or driver shall be allowed to compete on the grounds of a member until he shall have obtained a license from the secretary of the National Trotting association; that such license must be applied for any way; that in case of emergency a member may permit a rider or driver to compete pending action on an application for license, but in all cases the winnings of the horse shall be withheld until the license is issued, and in case of failure to secure a license the premium retained shall be distributed under the rules; that a license may be revoked under certain conditions; that a license may be issued free of charge to all riders or drivers against whom there are no claims on the books of the National Trotting association.

The same rule provides also that drivers must wear their own colors; that no licensed rider or driver can without sufficient reason decline to be substituted by judges as required by rule 27, which has reference to the disqualification of a driver of a horse that is being pulled or has been handled improperly; that such refusal may be punished by suspension or the imposition of a fine, or both; that a rider or driver shall not ride or drive a horse in a race without personal knowledge as to the eligibility of the horse.

M'COY'S DEPOSIT COVERED.

New York, Feb. 10.—"Buck" Connolly of Pittsburg, manager of Peter Maher, called at The Police Gazette office yesterday. He covered "Kid" McCoy's forfeit of $5000 and issued a challenge to back Maher against McCoy for $5000 or $10,000 a side and the championship of the world.

Connolly said: "I think that Maher is entitled to the first chance with McCoy if Fitzsimmons refuses to fight him. I am confident that Maher can beat McCoy. McCoy will no doubt refuse to meet Maher; he had already shown a disposition to ignore him when we first issued a challenge."

McCoy will be notified of Maher's challenge to him. Connolly stipulated that the fight must take place within six weeks after signing articles. If McCoy does not accept the offer within a reasonable time, the $5000 will remain up and a challenge will be issued on behalf of Maher to any man in the world.

LEAGUE OF WHEELMEN.

St. Louis, Feb. 10.—The principal address at the first day's sitting of the delegates to the convention of wheelmen was that of Professor John Hamilton of Harrisburg, Pa., author of the Hamilton road bill, which is expected to do so much for the improvement of roads in Pennsylvania. The speaker in conclusion said: "The underlying and governing principle in all governments should be that the strong should aid the weak, and the logical and equitable method in this, not private or local, but most important public improvement, is for the state to undertake the work and thus enlist all interests and all of the people in the execution of this great enterprise, designed, constructed and maintained for public use."

THE PAWTUCKET NINE.

Pawtucket, R. I., Feb. 10.—Manager Whiting has practically completed his list of players for the Pawtucket nine of the coming season. Todd, who appears as a new pitcher, was reserved by Washington last year, but his release has been secured. The players are as follows: Buelow, catcher; McCafferty, Todd and Knorr, pitchers; Beaumont, first base; Stouch, second base; Coughlin, third base; Bone, shortstop; Weisbecker, left field; Whiting, center field, and News, right field and change catcher.

POLO PLAYERS ATTACKED.

Pawtucket, R. I., Feb. 10.—A number of the polo players were attacked by a mob as they were leaving the rink last night, and a number were considerably battered. The spectators were dissatisfied with the decision of Referee Doe at the game, and assembled outside the rink door for the purpose of attacking him. Doe managed to escape, and the crowd vented its wrath upon the players. The Providence men were pursued to the depot and snowballed all the way.

POLO SCORES.

In Bath—Baths, 6; Rocklands, 2.

In Pawtucket—Providences, 4; Pawtuckets, 2.

In Meriden—Meridens, 4; Hartfords, 3.

In Lewiston—Portlands, 4; Lewistons, 3.

BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE.

Boston, Feb. 10.—The senate transacted no business yesterday, adjourning after receiving same reports and clearing away minor matters.

The "good will and trade mark" of the Walter Baker Chocolate company involved a discussion in the house, which consumed the most of the time. This corporation asked for an increase of its capitalization to $4,500,000. The third reading was ordered.

Ought to pass was reported by the committee on manufactures on the bill to provide that consumers of electricity shall not be obliged to pay for the use of an electric meter when they use $7 worth of electricity in a year.

The joint judiciary committee reported favorably on the bill to allow the admission to the bar of those who were examined before Jan. 1, 1895, and the bill was passed all its stages under a suspension of the rules.

The public health committee reported a bill to protect the public from poison in patent and proprietary medicines. The committee also reported a bill to allow the board of registration in pharmacy to have the right to inspect all druggists' records of sales of poison.

"No savings bank or institution for savings hereafter incorporated shall do business or be located in the same room or in any room communicating with any bank, national bank association or trust company," says a bill from the committee on banks and banking.

DICTATOR BARRIOS KILLED.

New York, Feb. 10.—A report comes from San Francisco that President Barrios of Guatemala had fallen a victim of assassination in Guatemala City. Details are wanting.

President Barrios was a man of wide attainments and marked executive ability. He was only 42 years old.

TWO VESSELS MISSING.

Philadelphia, Feb. 10.—It is reported that two Philadelphia schooners with 20 men were lost during the recent blizzard on the New England coast. One was the William Johnson, Captain James Lee, which sailed for Portland Jan. 15 with a cargo of 1100 tons of coal. The other was the schooner William K. Park, Captain Louis C. Lake, which left Boston light Jan. 23 for Rockport, Me. Both vessels belonged to Captain Peter B. Reed of this city and each carried 10 men.

The William Johnson put into Boston harbor Jan. 27 leaking badly and with six feet of water in her hold. She was pumped out and resumed her voyage Jan. 29, having only 65 miles to sail, yet no tidings of her have been had. The Park has not been reported since she sailed.

NEWS FROM HAVANA.

Havana, Feb 10.—The American yacht Buccaneer, which has several times entered this port without health or other papers, flying the colors of the Union Yacht club, is understood to have landed Earl Decker, the New York Journal and Advertiser correspondent, at an insurgent camp. The yacht carries a small gun and it is reported that she has arms and ammunition on board. The Buccaneer was shadowed.

According to information obtained from Spanish sources, a detachment of Spanish troops has routed an insurgent force in the Sancti Spiritus district of the province of Santa Clara. The insurgents are said to have lost 10 men killed and the troops are reported to have captured the flag and arms of the insurgent leader in command, as well as 60 saddled horses.

United States Consul General Lee was notified of the vigilance of the Spanish authorities towards the Buccaneer, and he answered officially, it being intimated that she might be fined, that a yacht was not obliged to comply with custom house regulations, and that in certain cases a yacht might be considered as a warship. The matter is still under discussion, no decision having been arrived at by the Spanish authorities.

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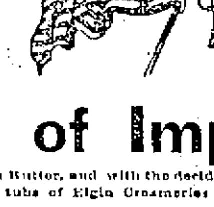

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"Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown" can never apply to an American woman, judging from the way in which she carries her head with crown and tiara. The favorite style of tiara this winter is not so close and heavy as was the case two or three years ago. The designs are more spread and give a lighter effect, besides showing the beauty of the stones to the best possible advantage. There are very few round crowns seen. The coronets or half crowns and the tiaras are much more fashionable and infinitely more becoming. Mrs. John Jacob Astor has a small, round crown which she wears rather back on the head and a little to one side, and it has a very smart look. But she is the exception to the general.

Among the jewels demanded by this craze ornaments for the hair may be mentioned first. The aigrettes are most effective made in the marabout feathers studded with tiny diamonds. There are long sprays formed of small diamonds on a gold thread, with a large diamond at the end. Then there are Mercury wings of all sizes made of masses of diamonds, and diamond stars of varied sizes, which fasten in the exaggeratedly high ostrich tip or osprey feather which is one of the favorite hair ornaments of the season.

Glittering Results of the Jewel craze.

There are, of course, jeweled combs in countless variety. One particularly smart headdress arranged a la pompadour had back of the roll in front a curved comb of diamonds, a differently shaped diamond comb at the back of the coil and two side combs. At the left side of the hair was a fan-shaped diamond spray and in front a tuft of long osprey feathers.

Another noticeable coiffure had the hair arranged in the form of a chignon, but with a pompadour in front. A coronet of diamonds and emeralds set closely together was put just back of the pompadour, and the chignon was held in place with hairpins, the tops of which were thickly set with emeralds and diamonds. The effect was a trifle heavy, but stunning.

One woman had her hair arranged high on her head, with three diamond stars in front, each star of different size, the centre one being the largest. These stars, fastened to hairpins by a twist of wire, so that they are not stiff, but nod gracefully when the head is moved, is a favorite design.

Every one tries to arrange the hair so that it will give the effect of height, and the ornaments, of course, accentuate this. The feathers and the spray often measure as much as eight inches, and everything depends upon how the ornament is put in the hair. If it is too far back the effect seen in profile with the length of the line from the chin to the top of the ornament is decidedly overwhelming, particularly to a small man.

More ornaments are worn on the neck than have ever been seen before, and the beauty of the line from the top of the ear to the top of the shoulder is most ruthlessly sacrificed to the exhibiting of the jewels, of which it would it would seem as if there was no limit to the number that can be worn.

A woman with a moderately long neck will put on a wide collar of black or colored velvet. Over this are strings of diamonds which almost cover the velvet. Then below is a string of diamonds graduating in size, so that at the back they are quite small.

In front hangs a jeweled ornament of some old design, and while there must be many diamonds in it, there can also be colored stones as well. Then there must be below this again one or two ropes of pearls. While, for sweet sentiment's sake, there is a fine gold chain with either a minute locket or a little ornament and moonstones for luck.

The collet of pearls or diamonds is as necessary now to every woman's toilet as a collar is to a man's shirt. Rows of pearls kept together with little bands of diamonds, or the diamonds with a band of the pearls—these are seen on everybody. They are sometimes made with colored stones, but not so often as with pearls and diamonds.

On the front of the waist is another opportunity to exhibit more jewels; and here the colored jewels can be seen to great advantage. Queer bugs and flies, preferably dragon flies and bees, are noticed. Some bees are beautiful, with the body of one large emerald or ruby, or even one pearl, with diamond wings. The dragon flies are all diamonds, with ruby eyes, but to attempt to describe the various devices would take quite too long.

Moorish Cream.

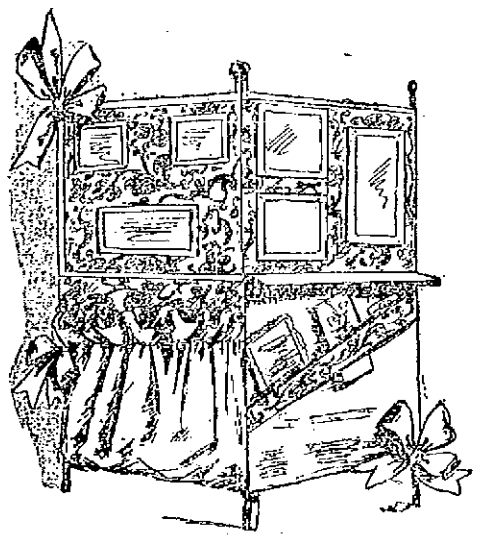
To make Moorish cream a few pounds of broken ice will be required, mixed with a third of the weight in salt. The other ingredients are lady finger biscuits or stale sponge cakes, macaroons, dried cherries, apricots, angelica, 6 eggs, 1½ pints milk, 6 ounces of caster sugar, ¼ oz. of Swinborne's isinglass and vanilla essence, also ½ pint of whipped cream. The quantities of cakes and fruits cannot be precisely indicated, but when cut up they must nearly fill a pint and a half mould, and the proportions can be used at pleasure. An ice cream mould with a tightly fitting lid is the correct utensil, but any plain mould will do, providing it has a lid. Make a boiled custard with the milk, eggs, and sugar, reserve about half a pint, and dissolve the isinglass in the larger quantity. Pour this into the mould over the cakes, stir well, and leave it to cool, lay a sheet of white paper on top, put on the lid and plunge it into the ice and salt, where it must remain three hours. Add the whipped cream to the remaining custard, flavor it with vanilla, and use as a sauce for the mould. When required for serving, dip it into warm water for a second, and turn out on to a glass dish, pour some of the sauce round it, and serve the rest in a boat. Garnish the whole with a few colored sweetments. Frozen desserts are now very fashionable, and I have selected this one because it can be carried out without an ice cream freezer.

INDOOR GOWN FOR A MATRON.

Indoor and at-home gowns are very ornate and fanciful in style. They are often made of two or three contrasting colors and as many different fabrics. A handsome gown is of rich dark red silk, trimmed with lace.

The nine gore skirt has a very narrow tablier, which is trimmed with rows of tucks. A band of lace edged with a pleated chiffon flounce, trims the skirt and runs up the tablier seam. The bodice lining is cut with front in three pieces, the center panel covered with tucked silk. Draped with three pieces of silk, joined at the side and shoulder seams. Lace collarette. Coat sleeve covered with ruffled silk and edged with lace.

A DAINTILY-MADE SCREEN.



A small light screen that can be easily moved from one place to another is always useful; a plain wooden frame, enamelled white, costs but little and can be filled in after various fashions. The treatment admits of photographs being inserted in the upper part of the screen, the lower half of one side being arranged as a large pocket, whilst facing this is a small collapsible ledge, capable of holding tea-cups, and beneath is a diagonal band of brocade which serves to hold invitations or Christmas cards.

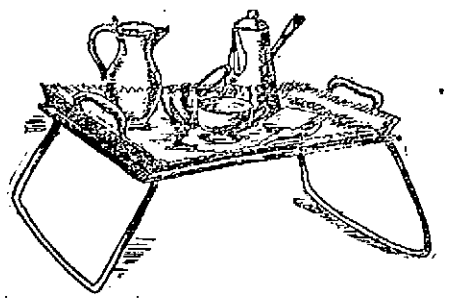
The screen consists in the first instance of a mere skeleton—the outline, a couple of bars of wood across the center, and a single ledge fixed with a hinge. Apply two coats of enamel allowing the first to dry before applying the second. Two sheets of plain glass are fixed in the upper panels. Then take a piece of cardboard and cut it to fit the upper portion of one side of the screen. Arrange three photographs on this and mark with a pencil the outline of each, and cut out the four panels where the photographs are to be placed. The cardboard should then be covered with brocade, the effect being richer if a padding is inserted between the cardboard and the brocade. The upper half of the other side is similarly treated, and the pictures can be fixed in place and held there by strips of stamp paper.

For the lower panels take two pieces of cardboard the exact size required and cover one piece on both sides with brocade, the other on one side only, the reverse being covered with Roman satin. These panels should be fixed with tiny tacks and then outlined with fancy gimp, secured with glue. The pocket or work-bag should be attached to one side of the screen, and a strip of plain Roman satin decorates the other for holding knick-knacks or pictures. The screen is further embellished with handsome bows of ribbon.

Styles for Hats.

Small flowers will edge the brim of the large midsummer hats, and, in fact, such a wealth of flowers will be used on all the spring and summer millinery as to preclude the necessity for much else. Before the season has far advanced, however, there will be the usual reaction in favor of ostrich feathers, but at present the plumage most in demand is the delicate aigrettes made from the ostrich feather.

A HANDY TRAY FOR INVALIDS.



The invalid, or those who from preference have an early breakfast taken to their rooms, would no doubt find the little table-tray most useful. The supports on which it rests enable one, while propped up in bed, to breakfast as easily as at table, these supports taking the weight off the tray and leaving one's knees free.

An ordinary wooden tray with brass handles will serve our purpose admirably, as it is a simple matter enough to get any ironmonger to supply us with and fix on the supports, which may be of brass or bamboo, and are so arranged—by means of rings through which they are run on the under-side of the tray—that when the improvised table is not in use they will fold under flat.

The tray itself may be decorated in various ways, according to one's skill.

CLEANED FROM THE NEWS.

Part of the boyhood of Bishop [illegible] allowed $10 as spending money. His mother, on giving it to him, requested an exact account of his daily expenditures. He tried to keep his word, but sometimes, forgetting to post the items for days together, it was difficult to recall them and he invented nearly to sundries, which appeared pretty regularly throughout his account.

When Mrs. Barry first looked over her boy's account-book on his return, she was much pleased at the most frequently recurring item of expense, take so strong an interest in the cause of missions. Astonished in his turn, he declared he had not given a penny to missions.

"But, surely," exclaimed Mrs. Barry, "the society for the propagation of the Gospel is missionary work, and I find been given in small sums to S. P. G."

"S. P. G., mother," confessed the future dignitary of the Church, "does not mean Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. When I could not remember what I spent my money for, I put down S. P. G.—Something.

A Michigan paper tells a story of a little girl named Hattie, whose mother was putting her to sleep one night. At last her mother said:

"Hattie, dear, I am anxious that you get quiet and go to sleep, because I want to go downstairs and join in the evening prayers."

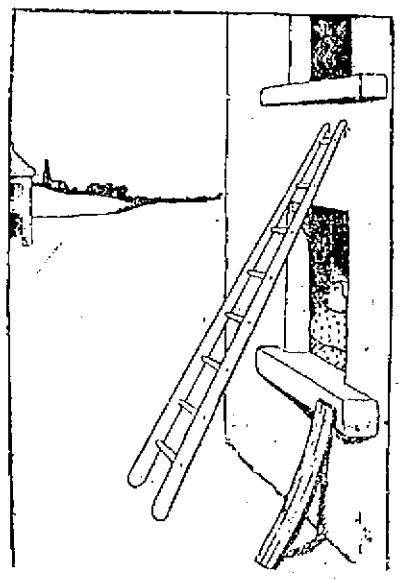
"Who's doin' to pway?" asked Hattie.

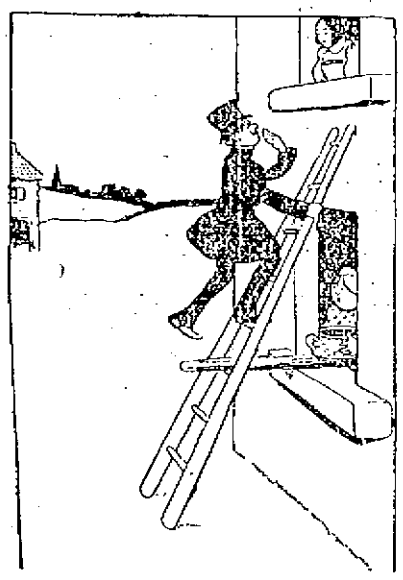
"Why, Uncle William, of course."

"Uncle William pway?" said the baby, with wide-eyed astonishment, and springing up in bed in the vigor of her surprise. "Wy I fawt he was a Demokwat?"

COLD WATER COOLS HOT LOVE.

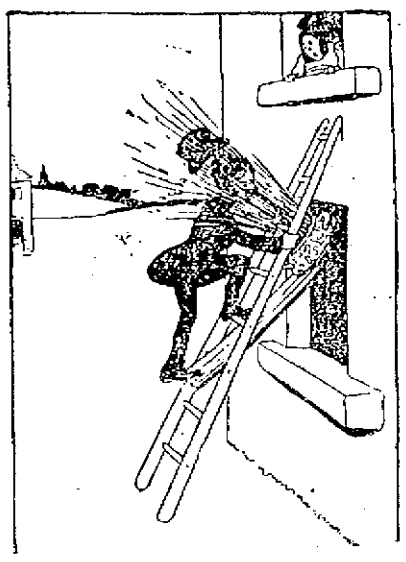
Mother saw.

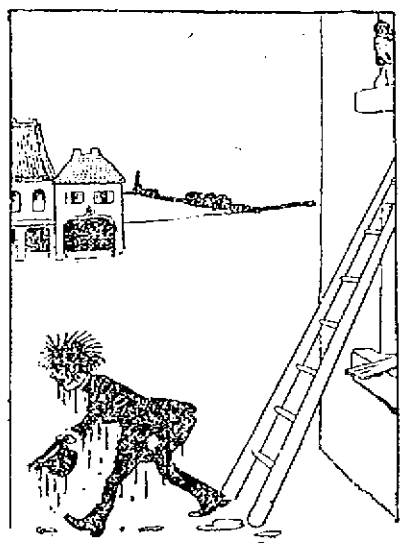




Lover's jaw.

Waters pour.





Hearts sore.

THOSE BLASE ARMY OFFICERS.

The Lieutenant (with a bored air)— Oh, the play is real clever; I think I'll have to write one myself.

A Cautious Man.

"It's a good thing to be cautious when among strangers," said the precise-looking man to a tall, angular old fellow, to whom he was talking on the deck of an Atlantic liner.

"Yes," was the response, "you can't always tell who you're talking to when you don't know, and strangers thrown together, as we are, are very likely to make mistakes if they don't look out."

"That's what I think about it," said the precise one. "There are several people around that I'd like to know who they are, but I feel a delicacy in asking."

"Who, for instance?" asked the tall party, letting his eyes wander about the deck.

"Well, there's a lady standing there, by that door, talking to a young fellow, who looks as if he might be her son."

"That far door?" inquired the tall party, stretching his neck around.

"Yes."

"She looks as if she might bite a nail in two?"

"Yes."

"Got a jaw on her like a vice!"

"Yes."

"Keeps it going all the time, as if there wasn't any such thing as an eight-hour law?"

"Yes."

"Got a bonnet on that looks as if it might be a sign for a vegetable gardener?"

"Yes."

"Got a complexion like a slab of tan bark?"

"Yes."

"Got clothes on that look as if they'd been made out of last year's circus posters?"

"Exactly—she's the one! Who is she?"

The tall party got up to have a better look before committing himself.

"She's a jay from Westminster, ain't she?" he said, with a laugh, as he sat down again.

"Yes. Who is she?"

"Oh, she's my wife. Let me take you over and introduce you."

But the cautious man declined, and managed to lose himself in the crowd as quickly as possible.

HUMANITY'S BEST FRIEND.

Sartorial Artist—There will be all the measurements I shall require, sir, thank you. And now, what sort of shoulders would you prefer? I should recommend the military shoulder to match the mustache.

HIS EXCUSE.

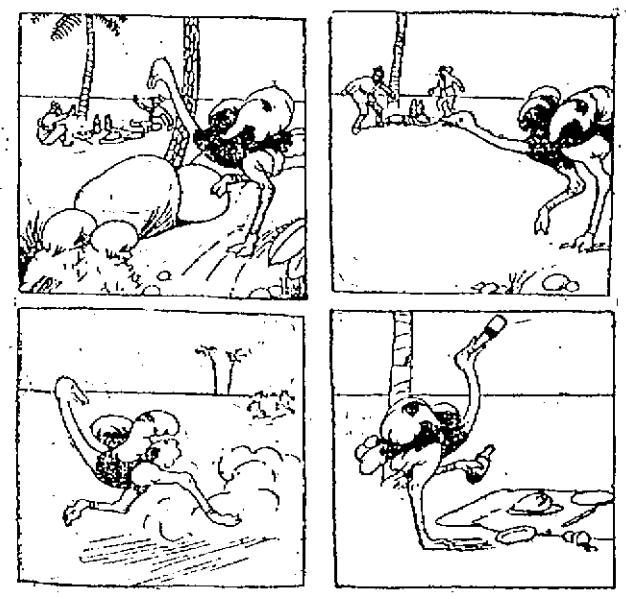
"Why does Smith always argue so strongly in favor of Platonic love?"

"Have you seen Mrs. Smith?"

VERY SMART INDEED.

(1) "By Jove!" said the ostrich, "look at those chaps! and I'm as dry as a lime kiln. Let's see if I can't get hold of some of that booze. Ah! I've got it."

(2) So he put on his most painful expression, and went limping by those hunters. "Hallo!" they cried, as they spotted the ostrich, "we've got a dead sure thing this time."



(3) But the ostrich smiled to himself as he limped on, until he got a mile from their dinner, he then sped back by a short cut.

(4) And arrived back far in advance of the hunters, who, when they returned, found, much to their disgust, that the ostrich had eaten their lunch.

TWO MUCH-A BUSED TERMS.

A Forward Young Man and a Backward Young Girl.

TRAIN UP A CHILD, ETC.

Mrs. Hunt (a popular and prosperous pauper)—Now, Albert, what'll you say when I takes you into the kind lady's drawin' room?

Albert (a proficient pupil)—Oh! All right, I know—put on a beautiful lorst look and say: "Oh, muvver, is this heaven?"

The Head of the House.

"I tell you he is a perfect tyrant," said woman number one.

"I haven't a doubt of it," said woman number two.

"I will hear this poor woman's tale," thought a well-intentioned man, who was a listener, "and perhaps I may be able to assist the poor soul.

"Yes, he is a regular tyrant. He has no mercy on me whatever. He rules the whole house like a regular Czar."

"Of course he does," said woman number two.

"I shall have to offer my services to this poor, down-trodden woman," thought the well-intentioned man.

"Yes, he rides over the whole of us rough-shod, and sometimes, when he gets on the rampage, he breaks everything he can lay his hands on."

"Madam," said the well-intentioned man, who could stand it no longer, "my services are at your disposal. Let me go to your home and intercede with your tyrannical husband."

"He isn't my husband, you simpleton," snapped woman number one. "He's my nine-months'-old baby—bless his precious little soul!"

Discriminating.

Bigson—"I once possessed a splendid dog, who could always distinguish between a vagabond and a respectable person."

Jigson—"Well, what's become of him?"

Bigson—"Oh, I was obliged to give him away. He bit me!"

THE CHICK THAT WAS TEMPTED—AND FELL.

(1) "Hallo, that's whisky! Why shouldn't I make some 1898 resolutions?"

(2) "This is great! Gentlemen, I'm resoluting all the time.

(3) "We won't gerrome till mornin'! We——"

(4) Next case!!

There Were Others.

"Look!" she almost shrieked in her rage, as she shook the paper under his face. "Oh, villain, villain, I have found you out in all your base perfidy!"

"I—I beg your pardon," said the young man, "but I'm afraid I don't quite follow you."

"This is your letter to me."

"Yes."

"It breathes the tenderest affection, doesn't it?"

"I flatter myself," he answered, with a complacent bow, "that it does."

"It is ardent in its protestations of undying devotion, isn't it?"

"If it was as I intended it, there's no doubt about its being so."

"Look—look here," she hissed, "and then turn your face in shame. Here are the unmistakable traces of carbon paper. This letter was manifolded!"

Sentimental Miss: "Do you believe, Mrs. Jawsnap, that it is always darkest before dawn?"

Mrs. J. (impatiently): "Ask my husband. He knows."

TWO POINTS OF VIEW.

Mrs. Joskins—Isn't it remarkable that I can remember every hat that was worn in the panto, last night?

Joe Joskins—Dunno; I can remember the pattern of all the garters.

A Secret Laid Bare.

A secret I have just found out,
I'll tell you if you will not tell;
All trees which bear in summer time
Will bare in winter just as well.

Little Clarence—"Man is at his best in winter, isn't he, pa?"

Mr. Calipers—"Yes, there are no flies on him then."

"I see the critics, almost to a man, are praising Pensmith's latest book."

"Then they must regard him as being too weak to be in any danger of getting to the top by their help."—Cleveland Leader.

Consideration for Baby.

A few weeks ago a tired-looking little woman, with her thin cape spread out to protect her burden from the rain, rushed through the mud in a well-known street to a 'bus. The steps were crowded with men who could not find a seat, but they made way for her and helped her into the packer 'bus. She stood unsteadily in the aisle, trying to preserve her balance as the 'bus lumbled along.

"Keep still, dear!" she sighed, in a weak, tired voice, when a slight disturbance under the cape was observable.

"Why don't some of you fellows give that woman with a baby a seat?" growled a fat man, who was hanging to a strap.

Two or three men sprang up and each insisted that she take his seat. She sank into one of the vacant places, thanked the man who had made way for her, and a frowsy-headed terrier sprank from under her cape and sat in her lap while he barked at the fat man.

Embarrassing.

Mabel—"It is very annoying. I happened to say that it was the most interesting novel I had ever read."

Laura—"Well?"

Mabel—"Well, he insisted on talking about just those incidents I must have skipped."

A few weeks ago the following notice appeared in a Dublin newspaper: "Owing to pressure on space a number of deaths are unavoidably postponed."

CLEANED FROM THE NEWS.

More than eighty-five years ago a young man from Anne Arundel County, Maryland, came to Baltimore to seek his fortune. When he arrived in the city, which sixty years later he was to endow so munificently, he had only seventy-five cents in his pocket. He was eighteen years old when he left his father's farm, on which he had worked since his twelfth year; but, hard as he had worked in the country, a still harder experience was his during the first years in the city.

Soon after his arrival in Baltimore he obtained employment in his uncle's wholesale grocery store. The work was laborious, and the salary small; early and late he was at the store. The six years that he passed in his uncle's store, while toilsome, were serviceable. They taught him methodical business habits, and thus prepared him for his future career as one of the merchant princes of Baltimore—one of that remarkable trio of benefactors (Peabody, Pratt, and Hopkins,) whose enlightened liberality has provided their adopted city with magnificent monuments in the shape of libraries, a university, and a hospital. Of these three public benefactors of Baltimore, Johns Hopkins was the wealthiest, and founded two of the most splendidly endowed institutions that the world has ever seen—the Johns Hopkins University and the Johns Hopkins Hospital.—Self Culture.

Nearly fifty new minerals have been discovered in the past few years. Some of them are beautiful, but far more interesting are those containing little cells or cavities filled with fluids or gases. For instance, are shown a topaz in which is a cavity filled with gas caught up during the crystallization of the mineral; a slice of quartz from North Carolina contains a gas bubble; but most wonderful of all is a gas bubble which is constantly dashing about a little cavity in a piece of quartz. This bubble dashes from wall to wall of the cavity in restless motion, like a monad seeking to escape. This motion must have continued during the ages which have elapsed since the consolidation of the granite.

"No man ebber loses 'is ambition completely," said Uncle Eben. "Ef he gits whah he can't do nuffin' but a nuisance, he takes pride in seein' how big a specimen he kin make hisse'f."—Washington Star.

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THE WEATHER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

The weather indications for the ensuing twenty-four hours are as follows:

IT IS TRAITOROUS

Said Pres. Gompers at New Bedford.

TO SPREAD DISUNION DURING LABOR BATTLE.

The Socialist Leaders Disturbed the Meeting.

New Bedford, Feb. 10.—President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, in an address in this city last night, was interrupted by the socialists in a boisterous manner. They challenged him to debate, which he said he had not time to accept, even if he had the inclination, which he had not. He would not descend to the level of the men who proved themselves traitors to labor by precipitating dissension at a time when combined efforts are needed. The effect of his address was spoiled and he left the hall to catch his train for Pittsburg, Pa., promising to return later.

POLICE COURT

Seven drunks.

"Lud" White, an old timer, received one month in the workhouse.

John J. O'Shea who raised a rumpus in the Square yesterday received six months at Bridgewater.

Michael Regan got 30 days in jail.

Thomas Bradley appealed from a sentence of four months in jail.

MISSING MAN RETURNS.

Mr. William H. Murphy, the contractor who mysteriously disappeared from his home in Bowden street last Saturday, returned to his home Tuesday evening between 10 and 11 o'clock. He states that he was in Boston to buy blinds and sashes and was detained while there. Wednesday, he was at work on a building he is erecting at the Oaklands.

THOMAS F. RYAN DEAD.

Lawrence, Feb. 10.—A telegram was received yesterday afternoon from Aiken, S. C., announcing the death of ex-Superintendent of Streets Thomas F. Ryan. Mr. Ryan has been in poor health for more than a year and his recent campaign for re-election to the superintendency of the street department broke him down entirely. Accompanied by his sister, he started for Aiken last Thursday, in hope of regaining his health, but he was too far gone. He died at noon yesterday. The remains will be brought to this city

William Foley, one of the committee appointed by the New Bedford strikers to solicit subscriptions called at The Sun office today and reported that he and two of his colleagues collected $670 in Lawrence during the past few days.

James F. O'Donnell
UNDERTAKER.
Telephone at Residence, Office and Stables.
Market St., Cor. Worthen.

A Clothes Horse Free—A nice fold-ing Clothes Horse with one pound of our 50c. tea. O'BRIEN BROS. Tea Dealers 77 East Merrimack st. Telephone 49-3.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Middlesex, ss.

Lowell, Mass., Jan. 28, A.D., 1898.

Taken on mesne process on a writ issued from the Police Court of Lowell, F. M. Bill et als., vs. James Cacavas, dated the 27th day of January, 1898, returnable to the Police Court of Lowell on the second Saturday of February, A. D., 1898,

The following described property, to wit: The contents of a grocery store, consisting of a large lot of macaroni, canned goods, beans, manila paper, tea, coffee, oil, soaps of all kinds, pickles, rice, eggs, tobacco, cigarettes, show case, meat block, scales, sweet oil, pepper, etc., also at the same time the contents of a confectionery store, consisting of candies of all kinds, snuff, tobacco of all kinds, cigarettes, copper candy kettle, scales, candy boxes, candy trays, vinegar, raw, peanuts, sugar, dates, oranges, peanut warmer, peanuts, chewing gum, tobacco cutter, glass jars, etc.

The above property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder therefor, for cash, at No. 30 Gorham street, opposite the new post office, in said Lowell on the 11th day of February, A. D., 1898, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Terms cash

Bernard F. Gately,
Constable of Lowell.

$7 TO $15
GOOD ORGANS for above prices. Call at once. Must have the room.
GEORGE A. GARDNER,
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LE CERCLE ALBANI

Holds a Delightful Party in Prescott Hall.

FLOWER OF FRENCH AMERICAN SOCIETY ATTENDS.

Superb Decorations and Fine Enjoyment.

Beautiful women, exquisitely gowned, gallant young men conventionally attired, a superbly decorated dance hall and inviting music all contributed toward making the first party of Cercle Albani, one of the most brilliant events of its kind of the season.

The Cercle itself is a beautiful affair being composed of 25 young and representative French-American society ladies and devoted to music, literature and charity. The club meets socially once a week with some one of its members and its membership is limited to twenty-five, and all the members unmarried at time of the club's organization though they do say that between now and Lent—

Prescott Hall never appeared more attractive than it did last night when Mr. James A. Dooley, transformed it into a veritable bower. It was Mr. Dooley's maiden effort as a public decorator, and his success is already assured. Mr. Dooley was assisted by Miss Louise McLaughlin and Miss Helene Perrault. The windows were all hidden by gracefully hanging lace curtains topped with pink and nile green draperies.

From the many chandeliers long twines of evergreen swept to all corners of the hall in graceful curves the twines gathered with clusters of carnations. To the left of the stage was the matrons' corner. It was given a boudoir effect and was done in pink, nile green and white, with rich rugs covering the floor and rare plants

P. W. FARRELL, One of the Aids.

separating it from the hall. On a prettily draped table in this corner was a large picture of Madame Albani, the celebrated singer, in whose honor the club is named. The stage was transformed into a leafy bower by the presence of stately firs, for a background, and tropical plants in attractive jardinieres in the fore.

Over the center of the stage was suspended a large floral bell.

The concert program began promptly

(Continued on Page Three.)

Hood's Pills
Are gaining favor rapidly. Business men and travellers carry them in vest pockets, ladies carry them in purses, housekeepers keep them in medicine closets, friends recommend them to friends. 25c.

LATEST

THE LOSS OF LIFE

At the Great Fire in Pittsburg

IS NOW ESTIMATED AT TWENTY FIVE.

Three More Bodies Recovered This Morning.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 10.—The loss of life and the destruction of property by the fire last night was the greatest in the history of Pittsburg. At least fifteen were killed and a score injured, and $1,500,000 worth of property was destroyed. The losses are covered by insurance, placed mostly in one company.

MORE BODIES RECOVERED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 10.—Three more bodies were taken from the ruins this morning, making seventeen so far recovered. The number of the dead, it is now thought, will reach 25.

IT IS A CRIME

SAYS MISSOURI'S GOVERNOR OF THE KIDNAPPING OF VON DER AHE.

St. Louis, Feb. 10.—Circuit Attorney Eggers has looked up the law on the matter, and today declared the abduction of Chris Von Der Ahe, the base ball magnate, by a Pittsburg detective, a high handed outrage. He announced his intention of issuing warrants for every person connected with it as soon as he can find out who personally saw Von Der Ahe forcibly taken from the St. Nicholas hotel, and carried out of the state.

As soon as the warrants are made out, application will be made to Governor Stephens for a requisition on the governor of Pennsylvania for the return of the kidnappers to Missouri. Governor Stephens, who is in the city, announces his intention of granting the requisition. In an interview today, he said:

"Bendel, the detective, who arrested Von Der Ahe, and carried him away has certainly been guilty of a crime. A warrant can be sworn out in this city against him and upon such warrant I will issue my requisition upon the governor of Pennsylvania for Bendel's arrest and return to this state for trial.

"I do not think the governor of Pennsylvania would refuse a requisition I might make, in due form, for Bendel's return to Missouri, to answer a charge of violating the laws of the state."

The statutes of Missouri provide a term of imprisonment in the penitentiary not to exceed ten years as a punishment for abduction.

NO STOVE TRUST.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Detroit, Feb 10.—The officials of the Detroit Stove works deny the statements recently telegraphed by correspondents to certain papers that a stove trust has been formed or a combination of stove trusts effected.

STRIKE CONTINUES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, Feb. 10.—The strike of six thousand trouser and cloak makers continues today. Eight hundred shops are tied up. While the excitement is high, no violent act is reported as yet.

SUN EXTRA

5 O'CLOCK.

PRES. McKINLEY SPEAKS

He Demands the Recall of the Spanish Minister.

Says De Lome's Usefulness in This Country is Ended—Important Message Sent to Spain Today—Minister Woodford Informs the Spanish Government—De Lome Considers Himself a Private Citizen—He Received no Word From His Government.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The state department of the government gave out for publication this morning the substance of a cablegram sent yesterday to General Woodford, minister to Madrid, in reference to the DeLome matter. The statement is: "There has appeared in the public prints a letter addressed by the Spanish minister to Mr. Canalejas. This letter the minister admits was written by him. It contains expressions concerning the President of the United States of such a character as to end the minister's usefulness as a representative of his government in this country." General Woodford was therefore instructed at once to say to the minister of state that the immediate recall of Mr. Delome is expected by the President.

Up to eleven o'clock today no response had been received from the Spanish government. Neither has DeLome received from his government the announcement of his acceptance of his resignation, but it is believed it will be given out soon. He regards himself now as a private citizen, although technically he is still the Spanish representative.

FURTHER DETAILS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The events in connection with the Spanish minister's letter are transpiring rapidly. On Tuesday night, the minister first received information that his letter was in the hands of the Cuban Junta. He did not deny it. Later, when he was fully acquainted with the facts, he cabled his government, fully stating that the letter was to be published and that in his judgment, its effect would be to end his usefulness here. This was Tuesday, before the publication appeared. In effect, it was a tender of resignation. That there will be an acceptance is regarded as certain.

DELOMES RESIGNATION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, Feb. 10.—At a meeting of the Spanish cabinet today, the Queen Regent presiding, the minister of foreign affairs presented a despatch from Minister DeLome at Washington, saying that owing to the publication of a letter from him, his position had become untenable and begging the government to accept his resignation. The cabinet decided to accept his resignation and immediately cabled him to that effect and entrusted the first secretary with the conduct of affairs at the legation.

CARD
FROM
O'Sullivan Bros.

Our Annual February Sale of High Grade Footwear has been delayed this year until the weather was sufficiently favorable for the public to attend. We are now pleased to say the sale will commence

SATURDAY NEXT

And continues during the two remaining weeks of February. It will be the most comprehensive in its scope of any we ever attempted, as every line of goods that are to be discontinued as well as all odd pairs, broken lots and shopworn goods will be literally forced out of the store. Ladies' Ball Slippers, Dress and Street Boots, Misses' and Children's Boots, Infants soft sole goods of every description, Gentlemen's shoe leather suitable for every occasion.

O'SULLIVAN BROS.
Opp. City Hall.

WAS INCENDIARY

Result of the Boston Fire Investigation.

WIRES DID NOT CAUSE THE FATALITY.

Careful Examination by the Fire Department.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Boston, Feb. 10.—After a careful examination by the fire department as to the cause of the Merrimac street fire, in which six firemen were killed, it has been decided that wires did not cause the fire. The employes of the department express the belief that it was of incendiary origin.

RACERS RE-INSTATED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 10.—The Pennsylvania division of the L.A.W. this morning resolved that there was a feeling that Gideon should not permit his name to be placed before the convention as an opponent to President Potter for the presidency. The racing board last night re-instated the men blacklisted previously for racing on Sunday on the Pacific coast.

POLICE NOTES.

LOWELL MAN ARRESTED IN BOSTON—A ROBBERY REPORTED.

Ernest Vaughan, who formerly kept a drugstore on Middlesex street, this city, was arrested in Boston yesterday and turned over to Officer Tully, who had a warrant for him, charging him with keeping and exposing intoxicating liquors.

Vaughan was formerly interested in a Waltham drug store. The place had been raided two or three times but no liquors were found.

Last July, Officer Tully saw Vaughan alight from a Fitchburg railroad train with his arms full of bundles. The officer followed Vaughan through the common and when the latter saw he was being followed he ran down Main street with the officer at his heels.

Vaughan saw that escape was out of the question and he ran into a Chinese laundry and left his bundles. He then rushed from the laundry and up to yesterday had managed to keep out of sight of the local police.

His arrest was brought about by a mere chance. Liquor Officer Tully, who was walking along Leverett street, saw Vaughan shoveling snow from the sidewalk in front of a drug store.

The local police held a warrant for him in case he came this way.

Adolphus Baron reports that $25 was stolen from a dressing case in his room in No. 11, rear of 187 Perkins street, last Monday. Baron has a young brother who has not been seen since the affair happened and he is suspected of committing the theft. On the morning of the robbery, young Baron told his mother that her daughter-in-law was very sick and she left to visit her. The theft was committed while she was away.

BROKE HIS LEG.

James Dolan was taken to the corporation hospital from 2 Gage street this noon. His leg was broken.

CASTORIA.
Fac-simile Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

BONES EXHUMED

From a Vacant Lot in Pawtucketville

BY CITY LABORERS WHILE DIGGING A SEWER.

They Will be Reinterred Today.

And now it is Pawtucketville that digs forth bones in unexpected places.

Since the discovery of the skeleton in Middlesex Village a few weeks ago, the ancient historians have been discussing the romances and tragedies of other days, weaving all kinds of stories about a lot of crumbling bones.

They have now fresh material for their imaginations to work upon, for today Miss Bodwell, a spinster residing on Riverside street reported at the police station that she has a choice collection of human bones done up in a pail in her cellar, which she would like removed, as they are detrimental to her peace of mind while they are in the cellar.

The bones were found on the Bodwell lot, now the property of the city, situated in Gardner avenue, and Riverside avenue. They were dug up before the recent storm and were taken in charge by Miss Bodwell who lives alone in a house on the lot adjoining it.

Since the bones came into her possession, Miss Bodwell, it is said, has been racking her memory in the endeavor to learn to whom they belonged. In the dim and misty ages when Pawtucketville was only a farmland and the names of Dunfey, McKinley and Smith were unheard of in the village polling places.

She remembers, it is said, that long ago a fair young girl lived in or visited the house, who was beloved by two young men. The swains would often call upon the girl, and the three would make calm the winter winds with the singing of hymns. In fact, they had a heavenly time but suddenly the young girl disappeared and was nevermore seen or heard from.

Now, it is said at the police station Miss Bodwell believes that the bones might have held together the fair body, whose owner and her gentlemen friends set an example for their amorous posterity and hence her discomfiture while the bones remain in the cellar.

The superintendent of burials has been notified and he will inter them where they will be undisturbed until that time when the words of the old coon song will be realized and "dese bones shall rise again."

A. G. THOMPSON

RETURNS FROM A TRIP TO WASHINGTON.

A. G. Thompson who has been appointed postmaster, has returned from a visit to Congressman Knox in Washington.

Mr. Thompson called on Mayor Bennett today and conveyed the Congressman's good wishes to the mayor and assurance that as soon as Mr. Knox returns from Washington, he will call to see His Honor, as he delights in seeing the Colonel at work.

Mayor Bennett and members of the Board of Health had a conference in the Mayor's office today.

WASHINGTON PARTY

TO BE HELD IN AID OF POOR PEOPLE.

A number of young men of ward two headed by John J. Lonergan and John J. Keefe have arranged for a Washington birthday party to be held in Odd Fellows' hall on Middlesex street, Tuesday evening, February 23. The proceeds will be dispensed among the poor people of that section many of whom are sadly in need of assistance. Daniel Hogan will be floor director of the party and John J. Hunt assistant.

FLUTE AND DRUM BAND.

The Lowell Flute and Drum band concert and dance will be held at Prescott hall Friday evening, February 11. The program will include the following:

Overture, Tancredi .....Orchestra
Song—"On the Banks of the Wabash Far Away".....Master Teal
Song—"Mother of the Girl I Love" ..... Master Tannon
Duett—"Mamie Reilly" .....
.....Messrs. Sullivan and Conroy.
Violin Solo.....O. T. Bauner
Song..... Mr. Russell
Andante Movement and March from Marino Faliero.....Band

MUM'S THE WORD.

MAYOR RAMSDELL OF LYNN ORDERS NO ROBBERIES TO BE MADE PUBLIC.

Lynn, Feb. 10.—Mayor Ramsdell has ordered that henceforth no information of robberies by footpads in Lynn be made public by the police, and further, that any officer who speaks to any person of police information shall be suspended. The mayor says Lynn has notoriety enough at present.

The committee on police has withdrawn offers of rewards for the capture of those who held up the Bartlett and the Usher groceries and the men who shot O. E. Barker. Chief of Police Burckes says this is because the Boston police believe the committee may capture the men and the reward is for Lynn officers or citizens alone.

McKINLEY IMPEACHED.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 10.—In the assembly this afternoon a lengthy discourse was held on the resolution demanding the resignation of Senator Murphy. Among the substitutes introduced was one impeaching McKinley for aiding in the election of Hanna.

THEY ALL SAY the Spring Hats are stylish.

Derby crowns are a trifle lower, brims a bit narrower, with light and handsome curl. Some of the extremely natty ones have flat sett brims.

On the whole the Spring Derbys have a trim and trig appearance that easily distinguishes this season's blocks.

Browns, in various shades, have the call.

All of the Spring Derbys in browns and blacks, 94 cents to $3.00.

All the new soft hats, Fedoras and Tourists 50 cents to $3.00.

PUTNAM & SON,
No. 166 CENTRAL STREET.

THE STRIKE FUND

Lawrence is Now Competing With Lowell.

NEWS FROM THE SCENE IN NEW BEDFORD.

Many Families Leaving the City for Good.

The strike fund continues to increase as The Sun's column of figures will show, but it by no means swells up as it should, considering the cause for which it is instituted. Every operative in Lowell having his interest at heart should contribute something toward the fund, if it is only five cents, for every little counts, even as every snowflake adds to the fall. Some there are who unable to give as much as they would like, are timid about contributing a small amount. This should not be, for money of the smallest denomination has value and can do more good than no money at all.

The young ladies of the Hamilton weave rooms did a very commendable act in collecting through their rooms and raising a very decent sum of money. Other mill departments would do well to adopt similar methods and contribute their share to the fund.

In helping New Bedford, the Lowell operatives are helping themselves, for through the agency of New Bedford the textile world, of which they are a considerable part, is fighting its battle against the cut-down, and a sucessful termination of affairs at New Bedford means general success throughout New England.

Mr. E. Cornock, the well kown shoe dealer, sends five dollars to the fund with the following letter:

Editor of The Sun:

As one who feels interested in the strike, now pending at New Bedford, and in the fate of down-trodden humanity, I enclose five dollars for your strikers' fund. What a genteel way has been adopted to rob the toilers simply because they cannot help themselves What a great injustice to suffering humanity! What a consolation it must be to capital to starve its helpless victims into submission. What an example for a country like ours, that is capable of giving the honest working man the best home of any country on the earth!

Mr. Editor, let us hope that the New Bedford operatives will recieve what they justly demand. Let the public come to their relief in this, the hour of their need and victory will crown their efforts. Respectfully,

—E. Cornock.

RECEIPTS TO DATE.

Previously acknowledged	$621.49
Forwarded to New Bedford	490.00
Balance	$221.49
Frank Lang	.25
E. Cornock	5.00
Total	$226.74

POPULATION DECREASING.

The New Bedford Standard says:

The fact that the strike is diminishing the population of this city was most emphatically emphasized yesterday, when 16 families from the south end left the city, in all probability not to return. This means that twice and possibly three times that

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Interest will commence March 1st on deposits made on or before Thursday March 3d, in the
Savings Department
OF THE
Traders' National Bank
At the rate per annum of..... 4 per cent. Compounded Semi-Annually.
HOURS { Daily 8 a. m. to 4 p. m. / Saturdays 8 a. m. to 1 p. m. / 7 to 9 p. m.
30 Middlesex street, 11 Post Office Avenue.
Chas. J. Gilfillan, Pres.
Wm. F. Hills, Cashier.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON.

Southern Division.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5 45	6 50	6 00	§7 07
6 25	7 40	6 35	7 45
6 42	7 62	6 40	§7 35
§7 04	8 02	7 55	9 10
§7 29	8 10	*8 30	§9 10
§7 28	8 15	*9 00	[illegible]
§7 34	8 30	9 10	§10 23
*7 45	8 37	10 17	11 35
*8 50	9 40	10 45	11 56
9 15	10 25	11 30	§12 07
9 40	10 40	12 00	§12 56
11 00	12 04	*1 00	§1 38
§11 42	12 25	2 00	3 04
§12 16	1 05	*3 00	§3 38
1 41	2 56	3 47	5 03
3 00	4 25	4 14	§5 32
*§3 52	4 35	*5 30	6 45
4 25	5 30	5 38	6 35
§5 22	6 15	5 47	6 57
5 14	7 10	6 14	7 30
*§6 22	7 16	*7 30	§8 08
*§7 49	8 30	*8 00	§8 35
		10 15	11 22
		11 25	12 23

Sunday Trains.

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
§7 20	8 10	9 15	§3 05
§7 23	8 15	9 00	§10 07
5 45	9 59	1 00	§1 57
§9 10	10 10	5 00	§5 49
§4 23	5 32	7 30	§8 18
§5 53	7 00	8 00	§8 35
		9 00	10 05

Western Division.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6 50	8 03	7 30	8 33
7 15	9 10	9 15	10 37
9 25	10 39	10 25	11 40
10 50	12 02	11 50	4 05
12 05	1 31	2 15	3 19
12 45	1 58	3 40	4 55
2 30	3 14	4 25	5 45
2 20	4 22	5 01	6 25
4 05	5 23	6 01	7 18
5 10	6 32	6 35	7 48
6 16	7 20	9 40	10 37
7 00	8 16	11 15	12 01
9 25	10 30		

Sunday Trains.

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
8 15	9 27	5 00	9 17
12 05	1 25	11 45	12 59
4 15	5 23	5 00	6 21
5 30	6 05	7 00	8 22
7 25	8 45		

Trains by this division leave Lowell from Middlesex street station.

Leave Boston from the new Union Station, Causeway Street.

* Express.

§ From Middlesex St. Station only.

‖ Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

SLEIGHS

For sale cheap. Pung and traverse runner. J. H. Barry, 495 Market street.

CHOPPING BOWLS WITH TEA.

Our entire line of Chopping Bowls and Trays given away with 60 cent tea, you can have any size with a pound. Dickson Bros.' tea store, 68 Merrimack street.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS

Sold on the Cunard, White Star, American, Dominion, Anchor, Allan, Red Star, French and German lines, sailing from Boston and New York to Liverpool and Queenstown. Money sent to Ireland, England and all parts of the world. Canada bills bought at Murphy's Steamship Agency, 15 Appleton street.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smokers enjoy Old Hundred cigars.

T. C. Lee, Fire Ins., 223 Central street.

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson St. Telephone, 439-4.

Envelopes for business men at 2 and 3 cents a bunch. Harris, 10 Appleton street.

Coal and coal. If you want the best, order it of W. E. Livingston, 15 Thorndike street.

If your coal does not suit you, try Mullin, the 953 Gorham street coal dealer. You can get him by telephone.

NOTICE RETAIL MERCHANTS.

The Merchants' Coupon company will remain in Lowell another year. Thirty thousand people are collecting Merchants' coupons. We do not take any new retailers after this week. Write or call if you wish to join. To the Public: Collect Merchants' Coupons. Trade with the dealers giving Merchants' Coupons. With Merchants' Coupons, you obtain beautiful premiums.

A BANNER SLEIGHRIDE.

The employes of the Banner market enjoyed a sleigh ride party to the home of Mr. S. P. Pike at Sunnyside farm, Tewksbury, last night, leaving the city at eight o'clock and arriving at the farm after a delightful ride. The party, 40 in number, enjoyed dancing, supper and social amusements, returning to the city at 2 o'clock.

SATURDAY IS QUARTER DAY AT THE WASHINGTON SAVINGS BANK. FOUR PER CENT. DEPOSIT NOW.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Centre Congregational church of Chelmsford held a supper and entertainment last night.

Miss Annie Cilley read several fine selections, including "Jimmy Hoy," by Samuel Lover, and "Jean Valjean" by Victor Hugo; also, by request, her popular laughing selection. Wood's orchestra played several pieces and other numbers on the program were: Baritone solos by Mr. Wade; piano duets by Misses Jennie and Julia Fox, piano solos by Miss Zella Coburn, and solos on the clarionet and ocharina by Mr. Cushman.

LADIES' AUXILIARY.

The Apron and Necktie party under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Reform club in Columbi hall last night was attended by sixty couples. The officers:

General manager, Mamie Kennedy; assistant, Lizzie Noble; floor director Minnie Mooney; assistant, James H. Maguire; chief aid, Nellie Holihan; aids, Richard Reidy, Nellie Murphy, Mamie Maguire, Grace Caskin, Sadie McKenna, William McGrail, John Hogan, Maggie Nugent; reception committee, Delia Kelleher, Wm. Smith, Mathew Hogan, Dan Corcoran, Sarah McGraw, Minnie Conroy, Wm. Redmond, Wm. Goulding, Mary Edwards, Lizzie Noble.

MATRIMONIAL.

Mr. Peter Maguire and Miss Louise Lancie, daughter of Mrs. Samuel Harris of Stackpole street, were united in marriage at St. Jean Baptiste parochial residence last evening. Mr. Joseph Wallace was best man and Maude Harris, stepsister of the bride, was bridesmaid. The bride was gowned in a becoming frock of white silk, which was trimmed with white satin and she carried a bouquet of bridal roses. Her headdress was tea roses and diamond ornaments. The bridesmaid was attired in figured blue silk with trimmings of pink silk tulle. At 6 o'clock a reception was held at the residence of the bride's stepfather, 159 Stackpole street. The ushers were John Maguire of Boston, a brother of the bridegroom, and Mr. Wallace. The happy couple were assisted in receiving by the bride's mother and stepfather, and her aunt, Mrs. Odell Vaillancoeur of Lawrence. The young couple will reside on School street.

GUILLET—CHABOT.

Mr. Joseph H. Guillet of this city, a well known member of the Middlesex bar, and Miss Clara Chabot of Haverhill were united in marriage on Monday at St. Jean Baptiste parsonage by Rev. A. A. Amyot, O. M. I. They are now on a wedding journey.

First class job printing done at this office.

Dr. Coburn DENTIST 81 MRK ST.

Is your hair Green?

It's only another way of asking, Is your hair growing? For green means growing. You can MAKE hair grow by using

Ayer's Hair Vigor

CRISP GOSSIP.

Years ago, it used to be occasionally remarked in the newspapers that the observance of St. Valentine's day was gradually dying out, and that the time was coming when it would be only a tradition. For once the papers were wrong, and the custom of sending valentines has held its own from year to year, and already the shop windows are filled with attractive and hideous designs for the coming festival of St. Valentine. Probably the great majority of people never send or receive valentines, but a sufficient number of people do send them every year to make the trade a fairly profitable one. There are the pretty and more or less elaborate affairs of lace paper, gilt and tinsel, with verses that tell of affection concealed within the folds, and then there are the so-called comic designs with their highly colored caricatures upon the follies and weaknesses of mankind and womankind. Each caricature has appended a few lines of verse, which are if possible even more libellous than the picture. The principal purchasers of these valentines are school children.

The correspondent of a Maine paper, writing of the happenings of his town, says: "Clyde Judkins brought 40 sticks of stove wood from the wood shed to the kitchen box the day he was 20 months of age."

That's nothing. I know a boy who, when he was only 18 months of age, got hold of his father's wallet with $17 in it, carried it to the parlor stove and chucked it in. There is another thing probable, too, and that is that when "Clyde Judkins" gets to be about 15 years of age, the old man will have to wallop him with a skate strap to get him to carry in 40 pieces of kindling wood. Clyde will entirely recover from that wood carrying habit as his years come.

The man who drives a light sleigh about the country at this time has to be a pretty cool-headed fellow, and keep his wits about him and drive carefully, or he is likely to meet with disaster at any time, particularly in making turns about street corners. Some narrow escapes have been noticed about the streets and a number of "tipovers" have occurred. A sleigh, like a canoe, has to be handled carefully and by an expert or there is danger in it for the helmsman and his crew.

SACRED HEART FAIR.

ATTENDANCE WAS THE LARGEST OF THE WEEK.

The attendance at the Sacred Heart church fair last night was very large and a fine program was offered for the entertainment of those who attended. The first part included: Piano selections by Arthur McHugh; character sketch work by John J. Murray and Edward F. Shea; duet by Masters Walter Brosseau and Frank Teague; song, Master Martin Maguire.

The second part was given under the direction of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart school. It was a cantata by the children of Sacred Heart school called "The Boating Party." The children dressed in white and carrying flowers, presented a very attractive picture.

The lemonade table was a new feature last night and Miss Alice Cuff was matron. She was assisted by Miss Annie Harrington, Miss Mary Mears and Miss Maggie Callahan.

APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE

HELD A LONG SESSION LAST NIGHT.

The committee on appropriations met last night and the members were in session until 11.30 discussing the department appropriations.

The Mayor was present during the first part of the evening, and the committee spent half an hour in an endeavor to find how to pay the bills amounting to $24,000 left over from last year.

Ordinarily the bills that have come in late in December, have been paid in the year following from the several department accounts.

The following paragraph of a new ordinance now makes this impossible.

"All regular annual appropriations shall be for and only applicable to the reliabilities incurred during the year in which they are made, any form of phraseology in the order, resolution, or vote providing for the same to the contrary nothwithstanding."

There are 400 people interested in the bills and it was urged that it was unbusinesslike to postpone payment.

It was finally voted to report a resolution for a special appropriation, the money paid to be charged to the several departments. The committee then went into executive session.

When the first slips containing a department estimate was taken up, it was found that the blank for the Mayor's estimate had not been filled in. His Honor stated that he wished the committee to form its own opinion of what the departments needed.

The committee adjourned to Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

MARRIED MEN ENTERTAIN.

The married men of the Pawtucket church entertained last evening. Supper was served and a program was carried out, rendered by the following:

Miss Edna MacBrayne, soloist; Miss Lillian Holgate, reader; Mr. William Rice, banjo soloist; and the Erie Banjo and Mandolin club.

MIDDLESEX LAUNDRY.

Mr. F. E. Haines, proprietor of the Middlesex steam laundry, entertained his employes, about 40 in number, last evening, at his home in Moore street. Supper was served by the D. L. Page company and dancing and whist made up a pleasant social evening.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money

J. K. McCULLOCH.

In the foremost rank of speedy skaters is J. K. McCulloch, of Winnipeg, thrice world's champion. Besides his international laurels at 1,500, 5,000 and 10,000 metres, the Canadian crack has won four American and five Canadian championships. In 1896 he invaded this country and lowered the colors of our native cracks in three out of four championship events. Last year witnessed McCulloch's greatest performances, when he triumphed over Harald Hagen, of Norway, and other foreign champions in the international meet at Montreal. He makes his own racing skates.

GREAT FIRE AT PITTSBURG

Twenty or Thirty Men Buried Under Falling Wall.

A Police Captain Among the Number — Wires Fall With Fatal Effect—A Million Dollar Loss.

Pittsburg, Feb. 10.—A fire of mysterious origin was discovered about 8 o'clock last night in the large cold storage plant of the Chatauqua Lake Ice company. The building was a six-story brick, with three fire walls, making in reality four buildings. The ice company had its plant and storage warehouse on the lower floors and the Union Storage company occupied the balance of the building with merchandise of all descriptions, the property of many merchants and householders of the city. One of the compartments was used as the government bonded warehouse and contained about 400 barrels of whisky and alcohol. Fifty horses belonging to the ice company were stabled in one end of the building, but were rescued.

The windows of the block are protected by iron shutters which could not be opened, and for this reason the firemen were badly handicapped, being unable to get at the fire properly. At 11:15 p. m. an explosion of whisky occurred which blew out the Mulberry alley wall with terrible results. At the time the alley was filled with firemen, policemen, newspaper men and others. Many were caught by the falling wall. There are rumors that at least 25 or 30 men are still under the debris. Three dead have been taken out, among them Police Captain Berry. The other two bodies are at the morgue unrecognized as yet. Many people were injured by flying bricks and beams, and all the ambulances and patrol wagons of the city are in constant service.

The telegraph and electric lights at the corner of One Hundred and Thirtieth and Penn streets fell shortly after the explosion and killed an unknown man.

Just after the explosion the large warehouse of W. A. Heevler & Co., directly opposite the Chautauqua company's building, was ablaze and in a short time was beyond hope of saving. At about 1:15 the fire was gotten under control. The two large buildings are a total wreck, and the loss cannot be much less than $1,050,000. Until the fallen walls have been cleared away, there can be no certainty as to the number of victims.

JIM McLAUGHLIN

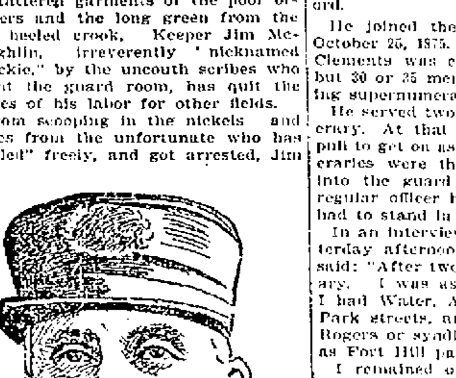
The Veteran Keeper and Bowler

HAS QUIT POLICE DUTIES AFTER LONG SERVICE.

Sketch of His Interesting Career.

After 23 years of faithful service in the police department, during nine of which he has day in an day out gathered in the few hidden coppers from the tattered garments of the poor offenders and the long green from the well heeled crook, Keeper Jim McLaughlin, irreverently nicknamed "Hockie," by the uncouth scribes who haunt the guard room, has quit the scenes of his labor for other fields.

From scooping in the nickels and dimes from the unfortunate who has "balled" freely, and got arrested, Jim



JAMES E. McLAUGHLIN.

will turn his attention to the pleasant occupation of taking in the nickels and dimes from the unfortunate who has "bowled" freely and got stuck, for on Monday next, he begins his duties at Les Miserables bowling alleys.

For the past nine years, with but few absent days the genial veteran has been seated one week, days; the next, nights, at the keeper's desk, and has booked all kinds of offenders from simple drunks to murderers. He has seen all kinds and conditions of criminals and could generally tell in a minute the character of the offender he booked. All kinds of jobs have been put up by the wily offenders on him, but only once did any one of them ever succeed in getting ahead of the wide-awake James, and then he was corralled before he had a chance to enjoy the fruits of his trick.

The man in question didn't have a cent in the keeper's desk, but another drunk had five dollars and the trickster knew it. Upon being released, he sought Keeper McLaughlin at the desk, and giving the name of the fellow who owned the money, received that man's package, with the five sheet in it. He had hardly got out of the door when he was caught, however, and the keeper was practically never fooled.

Though one of the "young fellows," Keeper McLaughlin is 61 years of age, and is a veteran of the war, having served in the 10th New Hampshire Volunteers, quitting with a fine record.

He joined the police department October 25, 1875. At this time William Clements was chief and there were but 30 or 35 men on the force, including supernumeraries and regulars.

He served two years as a supernumerary. At that time it took a strong pull to get on as a regular. Supernumeraries were then not allowed to go into the guard room until after the regular officer had gone out. Supers had to stand in the sink room.

In an interview with a reporter, yesterday afternoon, Mr. McLaughlin said: "After two years as supernumerary, I was assigned a regular beat. I had Water, Andover, Chestnut, and Park streets, and went as far as the Rogers or syndicate farm, now known as Fort Hill park.

I remained on the regular force 12 years, making 14 years in all in outside service. Then I was made a keeper and I have served in that capacity for the past nine years.

"I have served under Chiefs Clement, Pindar, Noyes, Lovejoy, Favor, MacDonald, Howard, and Supt. Davis.

Among the bowlers in New England no one is better known than "Old Hoss" McLaughlin. He is more of a veteran with the lignum vitae, than he is with either the rifle or billie and twisters.

"When I was but seventeen years old," said Mr. McLaughlin, "I began my career as a bowler. I was a pinboy in the Exchange coffee house in Market street. It was a hotel run by Owen Donohue, father of M. T. Donohue, one of the members of Governor Russell's staff, and an uncle of Peter H. Donohoe.

"When I got so I could roll a ball down the alley, I was working in William Clements' alleys in Middle street. Mr. Clements was then a deputy sheriff.

"There weren't any holes in the balls in those days, but I could soon beat any of the men I ran up against. You see boys were not allowed to bowl, and one day when Clements came in and caught me at it, he didn't do a thing but catch me by the ear, lead me to the door, and kick me clear across the street into Kittredge's coal yard.

"I then got to playing in the old Museum, where the Hildreth building now stands. The alleys were in the basement where the News composing room is now. Smith and Wetherbee ran the place.

"During the war and for a long time after I had no chance to bowl. When I did the balls had holes in them. This was in 1889 out at Lakeview. At first they seemed awkward and the fellows laughed at me. But after a while I caught the idea and somehow or other I happened to hold my end with the 'crackerjacks,' and was taken on to the Les Miserables team, the greatest team of its day.

Mr. McLaughlin states that next summer the alleys will be entirely renovated.

The Royal is the highest grade baking powder known. Actual tests show it goes one-third further than any other brand.

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THE HENSCHELS' RECITAL.

LARGE AUDIENCE ENJOYS THE GREAT MUSICAL TREAT.

The Channing Fraternity deserves the gratitude and support of the musical public of Lowell for having brought here such renowned entertainers as Mr. and Mrs. Henschel, whose song recitals occupy a unique and unapproachable position in the world of music. The recital last evening, under the auspices of the Channing Fraternity was held in Odd Fellows' Temple and a representative audience enjoyed the rare program of classical music.

MUSICAL PROGRAM.

The evening High school pupils enjoyed an entertainment in High school hall last night. The program included: Piano solos by Mr. McAloon; songs by Osmond Long, Master Martin Marguire, Miss Adelaide Sullivan, and Miss Mamie Gallagher; readings by Miss Bessie O'Neil and Messrs. McKenna and Gallagher.

Solon W. Stevens will address the pupils on "Books and Reading," next Wednesday night.

POSTAL CLERKS.

The Hotel Webster in Haverhill has been chosen as the place for the meeting of the Merrimack Valley association of Postoffice clerks which is to be held on Sunday, February 20. The meeting will be called to order at 2.30 p. m., and the consideration of business will come first. Then there is to be a banquet with post-prandial exercises and a general discussion will follow the regular speechmaking.

The principal topic of discussion will doubtless be the matter of electric railway postoffices, as advocated by Assistant Postmaster D. F. Dolan of Lawrence. Mr. Dolan is enthusiastic on this subject and will ask that the clerks in this and other cities give him all possible information as to which and how many of their mails would be bettered by the use of the electrics as mail carriers.

Mr. Dolan and a host of others for that matter, think the service in all cities would be greatly improved if the electric lines were so provided with facilities that the mails might be carried on their regular trips. The idea will be thoroughly discussed and the clerks will prepare a fund of data for use in furthering the interests of teh scheme.

STOVER'S SHOP ORGANIZED.

There are disturbances in shoe circles in this city and Agent Donovan of Haverhill was called to this city yesterday by the employes of the shoe factory of M. Stover. He was informed that the workmen there had been cut down and that they wished to be organized. The result of the cut was the immediate organization of the shop employes and their application for a charter under the United Boot and Shoe Workers' union. The application was made in due form and forwarded to Agent Donovan, who went to Boston yesterday morning to secure the charter at the general offices. He will at once take it to Lowell and will organize the men. The firm of J. M. Stover & Co. was once located in Haverhill, where a big business was done. It removed to Lowell nearly 10 years ago, and there it continued its success.

OLD FOLKS' CONCERT.

The Old Folks' Concert in Associate Hall next Sunday evening will be given by the Catholic choirs of the city and will be for the benefit of St. Patrick's boys' school, the money being used to provide free text books for the pupils.

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

Hives are a terrible torment to the little folks and to some older ones. Easily cured. Doan's Ointment never fails. Instant relief, permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

MALTOX

Is what you need to bring the glow of health to your cheeks. All druggists, 50c.

A BIG CRASH.

TRUSSES AND GIRDERS OF HUNTINGTON HALL FELL.

The big trusses and iron girders in Huntington Hall fell with a terrible crash during the noon hour yesterday.

The Boston & Maine company has a crew of thirty men at work there and they left the place about 20 minutes previous to the time the trusses fell. Had they been at work at the time they could not have escaped injury.

The trusses are huge, old fashioned timbers, most of them 10x10 or 12x12, and there were also many heavy iron rods and braces.

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Cook, Taylor & Co.,

CENTRAL STREET.

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DRESS GOODS DEPT.

1 lot of Odds and Ends in Light and Dark Wool Dress goods, in lengths of from 2 to 20 yards in plain, figured and striped effects, worth from 37 1-2c to 75c. yard, marked down to 12 1-2c., 15c. and 19c. a yard.

2500 yards Black Brocade Silks, that sold at from 75c. to $1.25 a yard, extra heavy, large and small figures, your choice at 50c. a yard.

500 yards Black Brocade Silks, worth 75c. yard, warranted all silk, to close at only 37 1-2c. a yard.

SPECIAL.

3 pieces extra fine quality All Silk Black Satin, our special price is 45c. a yard.

CANDY CATHARTIC Cascarets CURE CONSTIPATION REGULATE THE LIVER 10c 25c 50c ALL DRUGGISTS

A. G. POLLARD & CO.

MERRIMACK, PALMER AND MIDDLE STREETS.

REMNANTS FINE

HEAVY BROADCLOTHS

With the lot of Boucle Cloakings advertised day before yesterday, we received a small case of Remnants

Fine Heavy Broadcloths

Suitable for Capes, Jackets and Suits, all wool, 56 inches wide, fine smooth quality, worth $1.25 yard, which we will put out at

69c. PER YARD.

Come in navy blue, black, orange and a very pretty red.

This is another good bargain in heavy woolen goods.

REMNANT DEPT.

A. G. Pollard & Co.

TEETH No Charge For Extracting

Every set warranted to be the same teeth that other dentists ask $16 and $18 for, and every set warranted to fit. Gold Filling and Gold Crown work a specialty. Teeth filled with Gold by Electricity. No pain. Teeth Extracted Without Pain by our new method. Thirty years' experience. Artificial Teeth without plates; also Roofless Plates. Teeth extracted and replaced the same day as extracted—no need of going without. No Sunday work. Office hours: 8 a. m. to 8 p. m. Not open Evenings.

$5 to $10 a Set

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DE LOME MUST GET OUT

The Author Refuses to Deny Authorship of Letter.

He Will be Ordered to go Home for His Gross Insult to the President.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The publication of what purported to be an autograph letter written by Dupuy De Lome, the Spanish minister, to a friend, criticising the president with the utmost freedom, caused a sensation in official Washington, and soon will be followed by Minister De Lome's departure from the United States. At the outset there was a disposition to question the authenticity of the letter, but as bit by bit the circumstantial evidence accumulated, until it was finally announced officially that the minister declined to deny the authorship of the letter, all doubt was dissipated, and the only question that remained was as to the line of action to be pursued by our government toward the offending minister. The writing of this letter is unquestionably an offense against the amenities of diplomatic relations, and such offenses almost invariably have been regarded in the capital of the United States, as in other capitals, as sufficient ground for the termination of the official status of the letter writer.

As soon as the letter appeared in the press, the state department officials began an effort to settle its authenticity, and when it had learned all that could be developed on that point and had been told that the minister himself refused to deny writing it, the consideration of the next step began. Assistant Secretary Day was in consultation with the president on the subject at least four times during the official day, and then spent much time in framing his message to United States Minister Woodford at Madrid. The official statement of the sending of this message was accompanied by a declination to indicate its contents at this time, the department merely giving to the press the following statement:

"Minister De Lome does not deny writing the letter. This department has communicated with General Woodford on the subject. Until that communication reaches the Spanish government it would be improper to in any manner state the contents of the message to General Woodford."

While the department refused to add anything to this meager announcement, it can be stated without question that Mr. Woodford was directed to lay the facts developed before the Spanish government, together with the statement that in view of the minister's refusal to deny the authorship of the letter, the Spanish government is looked to with confidence to deal with the case properly. This amounts to an invitation to recall the minister, presuming that he himself has not already taken steps to vacate his position. No doubt is entertained of a compliance with the implied suggestion, but in case there should be undue delay in acting, the state department would feel called upon to move directly in the matter and give the minister his passports, as was done when Sir Julian Pauncefote's predecessor wrote the celebrated Murchison letter.

It may be stated that with Lord Sackville the department of state itself initiated the action. Lord Sackville had written a letter to one Murchinson in Pomona, Cal., in September, 1888, in reply to his request for guidance, as a naturalized American of British birth, in casting his vote for president. The reply was sent from Beverly, Mass., where the minister was stopping and would not now, nor probably at any time except in the heat of one of the great four-yearly elections, be regarded as particularly offensive. His lordship simply said that any political party which openly favored the mother country at that time would lose popularity, and the party then in power was well aware of this fact. He believed, however, that President Cleveland would manifest a spirit of conciliation in dealing with the questions involved in his message. Upon seeing this letter printed, Secretary Bayard sent for Lord Sackville, and the latter frankly confessed the authorship. Mr. Bayard cabled Mr. Phelps, our minister at London, under date of Oct. 25, that Lord Sackville had declared that his reply to Murchinson had been strictly private and not for publication. Mr. Bayard expressed his "surprise and amazement and condemnation of the minister's act. The government of the United States," he said, "could not be indifferent to any interference in the domestic issues by foreign representatives," and Mr. Phelps was directed to invite Lord Salisbury's attention to the occurrence and express the confident reliance of this government upon the action of her majesty's government in the premises."

Lord Salisbury did not take kindly to the suggestion. He replied that he could not act until he had received the minister's explanation. He did not regard the letter alone as sufficient to warrant the minister's recall, "thus ending his diplomatic career, which would not necessarily be the case if he were dismissed by the government of the United States, for which, of course, there are precedents."

Mr. Phelps having advised that the intimation of Lord Salisbury be acted upon, as there was no probability of his recalling the minister immediately, Mr. Bayard proceeded to dismiss Lord Sackville in the following terms: "The president of the United States has instructed me to inform you that for good and sufficient causes which are known to yourself, and have been duly brought to the knowlege of your government, he has, with great regret, become convinced that it would be incompatible with the best interests and detrimental to the good relations of both governments that you should any longer hold your present official position in the United States, and that accordingly the government of her British majesty will without delay be informed of this determination in order that another channel may be found for the transmission of such communications as may be found desirable between the two governments in the transaction of their business. Whenever it is your pleasure to depart from the United States I am instructed to furnish you with the usual facilities, and with that view I now beg to enclose a passport in the customary form."

Lord Sackville left immediately, and from Oct. 30, 1888, until late in the spring of 1889, the British government was represented here only by a charge, a sign of the displeasure with which it viewed the treatment of its minister.

Among the minister's friends the act of stealing a confidential letter and making it public was considered as more reprehensible than the writing of the letter itself. It was the general expression among the minister's associates of the diplomatic corps that, while the publication disclosed grave impropriety, yet it was one that might happen to any of them in the course of confidential communications in which the greatest freedom of expression is used in order to convey a full understanding of an international question.

The most objectionable portion of the letter is this paragraph: "The message has undeceived the insurgents, who expected something else, and has paralyzed the action of congress, but I consider it bad. Beside the natural and inevitable coarseness with which he repeats all that the press and public opinion of Spain has said of Weyler, it shows once more that McKinley is weak and catering to the rabble, and, besides, a low politician, who desires to leave a door open to me and to stand well with the jingoes of his party. Nevertheless, as a matter of fact, it will only depend on ourselves whether he will prove bad and adverse to us."

MECHANICS PHALANX

WILL HOLD ANNUAL PARTY ON FEBRUARY 23.

The Mechanics Phalanx was inspected last night by Major Taylor of Wakefield, who complimented the company on the efficiency displayed. The company is arranging for a grand ball to be held on the evening of February 23, at which members of the governor's staff will be present. The reception committee is made up as follows:

Col. Percy Parker, Capt. C. H. Kimball, Col. F. T. Walsh, Col. J. H. Carmichael, Col. Albert Pindar, Major E. J. Noyes, Capt. O. M. Pratt, Capt. George E. Luil, Capt. A. D. Prince, Lieut. A. D. Colby, Victor I. Cumnock, Hon. C. D. Palmer, Hon. W. F. Courtney, Hon. F. W. Howe, W. H. I. Hayes, Richard Dobbins, H. R. Rice, Alex. M. Abels, C. F. Callahan, J. S. Chandler, J. J. Cluin, H. V. Huse, E. W. Lovejoy, A. G. Smith, Charles A. Spencer, George E. Stanley, Dr. C. W. Taylor and Charles A. Mitchell.

ST. JOHN'S MINSTRELS

GAVE A FINE PERFORMANCE IN GRANITEVILLE.

The minstrel troupe of St. John's Temperance society of North Chelmsford went to Graniteville last night and before an audience that filled the town hall gave an entertainment in aid of St. Catharine's church. In the entertainment were numbers by Sadie and Maggie McCoy, Josie McCabe, Lizzie Constantineau, Sambro Tambos, J. J. Flaherty, Samuel Seymour, James Curry, James J. Carey, James J. Barrett, John T. Crowley, Maggie Hersom. A band of 10 pieces accompanied the troupe.

After the entertainment an excellent supper was served. It was provided by the ladies of the church.

ANOTHER ELECTRIC ROAD.

The contemplated new electric road from Amesbury to the New Hampshire state line in Seabrook has taken shape and the promoters have formed under the name of the Amesbury and Hampton Street Railway Co., with a capital of $30,000. The Amesbury people interested are E. R. Briggs, Adam Scott, C. A. Merrill, R. E. Briggs, and H. F. Carey. The road will cover three miles in the state limits. The route is to be from Market square in Amesbury through Market, Clinton, and Congress streets, through Salisbury Plain to Seabrook, there to connect with the road now being surveyed from Hampton to the state line. Eventually, there will be an electric line between Lowell and Portsmouth, via Lawrence, Haverhill and Amesbury. This road will connect at Hampton with the Exeter and Hampton Beach road, now in operation.

It is probable that in time this entire system will be under the control of the York Beach Street Railroad syndicate.

TREMONT AND SUFFOLK MILLS.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Tremont & Suffolk mills these officers were elcted: Clerk, Chas. F. Young; treasurer, Alphonso S. Covel; directors, Arthur T. Lyman; Frederick F. Ayer, Frederick Ayer Jacob Rogers, Harrison Gardner, Charles F. Ayer, Benj. C. Dean.

Fine job printing done at this office.

THE REFLECTIONS

Of a Loafer In Merrimack Square.

SCENES AND FACES IN THE THROUGHFARE.

Whose There and Their Object There.

Lowell's busiest quarter from early morn until almost early morn again is Merrimack square, the rising point of The Sun, the center of the street railroad and the Rialto of Lowell's meandering public. Whatever happens, even in the remotest corners of the city is always known betimes in the square, and whatever transpires in the square from a tragedy to a new vest on the "King," is rapidly communicated to every quarter and even smaller parts of the city. Paradoxical as it may seem, crooked happenings often appear in the square.

The habitue of the square, familiar with its life and people, does not observe with the keenness of the casual visitor the many occurrences of a day in this great center, but there are many—some amusing, some otherwise.

In the first place, the square is the proper place in which to get an idea of the great number of unemployed and observe their character, habits, dress, etc. They haunt it, particularly when the newspapers put out their bulletin boards, for they take a great interest in the events of the day, as gleaned from the terse pen of the bulletin writer. One passing by would hardly note the number in the square, so well behaved are they, but in the course of a day, especially a fine day, one sees a surprisingly large number of healthy and intelligent-appearing men loitering aimlessly back and forth and around the square. They are extremely well behaved and it's only when some unusually important event, just chronicled on the bulletin board has caused a group of them to engage in animated discussion that Jack Crowley and Charlie Gregg are compelled to quietly inform them that the bricks under their feet are becoming cold from want of sunlight whereupon they generally disperse, while perhaps an hour later some newspaper office receives a little note written on any old kind of paper, beginning with: "Mr. Editor—To decide a bet, will you, etc.," sometimes taking us back to the creation of the world. We are always willing to accommodate them when it is possible, for though at present down in the world, they are still in it and while in it, may yet be up in it. At times, of course, there a "thick" one, as he is designated, who dares to linger around after the blue-coated custodian of the square has bade them play checkers and move. They wouldn't be men at all if they weren't a few such. But the square's unemployed are the honest unemployed and not the despicable loafer who is often undeservedly honored by being classed as one of the unemployed, and when they are mis-ed from the square, men know they have at last found work.

The women of the square are numerous, for the most part handsome and generally well dressed. They come to the square to get their cars, and like all visions of loveliness leave our view ere we have fully admired them. The problem of the square suggested by the women of the square at the present time is the most graceful, modest, and yet effective way of carrying one's skirts. It being quite a number of years since I wore skirts, my knowledge of the subject is too slight for publication, but for the best solution of the vexatious problem, accompanied by a quarter or 25 cents in stamps, as an evidence of good faith, we will cheerfully give the lucky one a month's subscription to The Sun.

The street railroad employes form a considerable part of the square and a very important and indispensible part, at that. There's good-natured Tom Sayers, the railroad starter, who is out in the square in all kinds of weather. Without Tom, the square would be surely deficient. Tom is a sort of walking unabridged encyclopedia of useful knowledge. In size, Tom is certainly unabridged and in general knowledge he comes very near it. He is called upon to answer all sorts of questions from all sorts of people and do it promptly and without pay. He is supposed to know why every car is late and when every car is going to be late. He is also supposed to know the running time of all street railroads that have lines connecting with Lowell. He is supposed to know the running time of all Boston trains, when Huntington hall is to be rebuilt, how much every director of the Lowell & Suburban is worth, what family each has, how each is liked by each other, who is the richest man in town, how to best break up a cold, how to generate electricity, all changes in the weather (a day in advance), and is even supposed to know when McKinley's prosperity is due here.

It's an old story, but they do say that Tom is the originator of the following:

A lady once stood between the tracks with her back to an approaching Westford street car, and yelled: "Here, starter, where will I get the Westford street car?"

"You'll get it in the neck, madam, if you stay there," was the alleged answer.

Then there are conductors and motormen in the square. They are used to push overloaded pungs off barren spots during these days of thaw and they break up fights, steer drunken men away from ladies, and otherwise render valuable assistance. The employes, however, do not take up any of the square except in going to and fro, as they pass their leisure time in their spacious basement quarters.

A few days ago, Cleve Cheney had the snow removed from the square, probably to have it washed, for yesterday his men were busily engaged in putting the real white article where the rusty whiteness had been. Several pungs stuck on the pavements and one drunk, whom Jack Crowley afterwards collared, furnished the afternoon's excitement, yesterday. Tomorrow may bring forth new scenes and new faces.

To Cure Constipation Forever.
Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

A WOMAN'S SUFFERINGS.

Some of the Agonies They Needlessly Endure.

Nervousness and Female Weaknesses Ruin Many Lives.

These Poor Sufferers Have Found A Sure Way To Get Well.

Female weaknesses are more common today than ever before. Constant work and worry weaken the nerves and vitality, and female weakness follows. As a result there is pain, discharges, suppression, irregularities, weak back, inflammations, bearing down, bad taste in the mouth, loss of appetite, faintness, constipation, nervousness, sleeplessness and irritability. Mrs. S. Taylor, of 251 West 17th St., New York City, says:

"For years I have been unable to attend to my household duties owing to severe sickness. I was troubled terribly with female weakness, suppression of the menses for over six years, nervous exhaustion, sleeplessness and general debility. I had coldness of limbs and feet, and was in a helpless condition. I feared I should never get well.

"I had been under a doctor's care all the time but got no better. I was utterly prostrated, and good for nothing. By the advice of a friend who was cured by Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, I began using this wonderful medicine. After taking it a short time I was completely cured of all my troubles. My nerve strength returned, my female weakness entirely left me, my nervousness disappeared, I slept well and was in perfect health. For this blessing I have to thank Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. It is a wonderful medicine."

Such testimonials as these are always the means of curing thousands of suffering women who are wise enough to accept the advice of those who have been cured. Countless numbers of people all over the land have regained their health by this wonderful remedy, and are crying out to their fellow creatures to take Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, and be made well and strong. It is not a patent medicine, but the prescription of the most successful physician, Dr. Greene, of 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., who can be consulted free, personally or by letter.

A. G. CUMNOCK

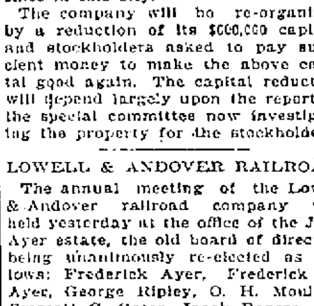
MAY BE ELECTED TREASURER OF APPLETON COMPANY.

At the annual meeting of the Appleton corporation to be held February 16 it is understood that A. G. Cumnock will be elected treasurer with his office in this city.

The company will be re-organized by a reduction of its $600,000 capital, and stockholders asked to pay sufficient money to make the above capital good again. The capital reduction will depend largely upon the report of the special committee now investigating the property for the stockholders.

LOWELL & ANDOVER RAILROAD.

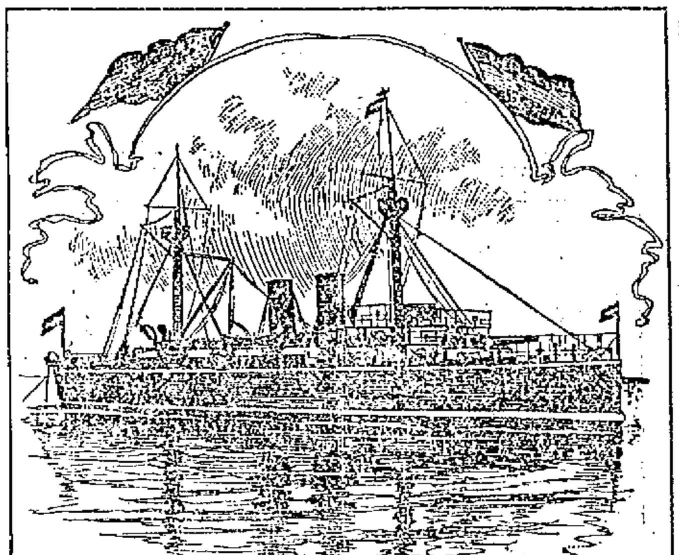
The annual meeting of the Lowell & Andover railroad company was held yesterday at the office of the J. C. Ayer estate, the old board of directors being unanimously re-elected as follows: Frederick Ayer, Frederick F. Ayer, George Ripley, O. H. Moulton, Prescott C. Gates, Jacob Rogers, and Edward T. Rowell. Grenville Hovey continues as clerk of the corporation and Austin K. Chadwick as treasurer.



As Good as Gold for it gives a glad heart, and helps men to work with a vim.

B-L TOBACCOS made from best leaf, have a flavor of their own that other brands can't match.

That's why they suit people.



THE SPANISH CRUISER VISCAYA.

The cruiser Spain sends to the United States is a first class armored cruiser. She is 340 feet long and her displacement is 6,600 tons. Her armament consists of two 11-inch rifles, one forward and one aft, mounted in barbette turrets, and ten 5 1-3 inch rapid fire guns, mounted in broadside. The secondary battery comprises eight Nordenfeldts, eight Hotchkiss and four mitrailleuses, and there are eight torpedo tubes. She is protected by an armor belt, 12 inches thick and 6 feet broad.

COMMUNICATION.

Lowell, Feb. 9, 1898.

I have received a letter from my old schoolmate in Harpoot, Turkey, which is as follows:

My beloved and best schoolmate, J. E. Maseck—Your last letter that you had forwarded to me was very interesting, and I was very glad to hear from you, Maseck. I understand by your letter that you are very desirous to know about the situation of this place. Well, my friend, the military department of Harpoot and every vilaett (state) are receiving various kinds of armaments and there is talk among the people (the Turks) that they shall make a general massacre on all non-Mohammedan people; and I have heard from a reliable source that there will be a war between Turkey and Russia. I myself have come to the conclusion that there may occur a war between the said governments next spring, because the Turks are quite sure that the time has come to whip these Christian dogs (as they call them), as they whipped the Greeks last spring; and there is another proof. Russia had hard feelings against Turkey. The money which the Turks will get from Greece as indemnity of war will be used to strengthen the navy, as has been suggested by the German government. Russia is very much opposed to this. Another fact is that Russia is pushing the Bulgarians, Persians, and Circassians to raise trouble in several parts of the Turkish frontier. I will keep you informed on the situation.

Yours truly
G. H. V.

Harpoot, Turkey, Jan. 12, 1898.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL.

Members of Flora E. Stacey lodge, I.O.G.T., passed a few pleasant hours in Bay State hall last night, the occasion being a box party and an entertainment. The program included: Duets by Misses Minnie and Laura Perrault; readings by Archie Phelton and Miss Flora McMasters; songs by Mrs. Effie Tinker, Miss Jennie Atkinson and William Gould; violin solos by Miss Mabel Fess.

The officers of Granite lodge, I.O.G.T. Graniteville, were installed last night by John W. Bowker, deputy grand chief, assisted by James L. Moss and Mrs. Richard Dugdale. Thirty members of Chelmsford lodge were present and were welcomed by Chief Bowker.

Camp Farragut, of S. of V., observed Lincoln's birthday last evening. Addresses were made by E. A. Robinson, past commander of the Naval Veterans, Charles Brigham, commander of Post 184, and A. J. Boyes, past commander of Post 42. There were selections by the Sons of Veterans' band led by H. B. Anderson; piano solos by Arthur Moore; songs by Misses Grace and Christina Draper. Among the ladies who assisted were Mrs. Hazard, Mrs. Anderson, and Mrs. Hathaway. Capt. Draper presided.

BOWLING NEWS.

The Lowells and Highlands of the City league bowled on Les Miserables alleys last night, the Lowells winning 2355 to 2118. Kelley of the Lowells was high man with a total of 518. Not another man reached the 500 mark. The score:

Lowells—Kelley, 518; Halsted, 489; Howes, 454; McLaughlin, 397; Fullerton, 467; totals, 2355.

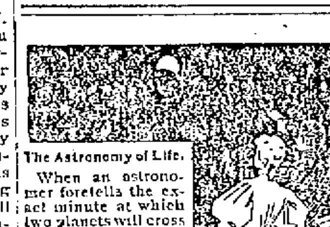
Highlands—Hartwell, 423; Anderson, 430; Wellman, 372; Barton, 472; Dickerman, 421; totals, 2118.

LECTURE IN HIGH SCHOOL HALL.

At the High school hall this evening, Mr. William E. C. Rich will lecture on "The Geology of New England." Mr. Rich is the master of the Mount Vernon school of Boston, Mass., and was to have delivered this lecture at the High school hall on January 26th, but on account of illness, he was forced to cancel his engagement; but Principal Frank S. Clark of the evening High school had arranged to have a first class concert and entertainment to take the place of this lecture and had secured some of the best talent which was to be had in our city, but on account of the inclement weather the concert was postponed and will take place this evening. The tickets which are out for the High school course will still hold good for this concert.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

At last night's meeting of Fall River Council, Knights of Columbus, a number of members expressed the sorrow felt by all Knights over the death of Supreme Knight Hayes. Mr. Hayes was held in the highest regard by the Fall River council. He had planted the seed of the order in that city and had often gone down there from Boston to witness and participate in degree work and installations. Nowhere was he more popular than among the K.C.'s of Fall River, for he was ever ready to point out the advantages to be gained and the lessons to be learned from membership in the order. That he was cut off in the very prime of manhood, when the future had so much in store for him, is a cause of deep regret to all who knew him. Fall River council will take suitable action in the matter.



The Astronomy of Life.

When an astronomer foretells the exact minute at which two planets will cross each other, we know there is no magic about it. The whole universe is governed by laws. A man who studies these laws of nature carefully and reduces them to a science, can count on exact results every time.

A doctor knows that certain remedies affect certain diseases.

When a disease seems to have no remedy, the doctors pronounce it incurable. All the time Nature may have the remedy right at hand, but it will only be discovered by the doctor who has studied longer and deeper than others into this particular disease.

Consumption seemed for a long time without a remedy, until Dr. Pierce made his wonderful "Golden Medical Discovery" 30 years ago. It has proved to be a marvelous and almost unfailing specific for consumption and all forms of lung, bronchial and throat difficulties.

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Dr. Pierce's medicines are recognized as standard remedies throughout the world. His "Pleasant Pellets" cure constipation.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, Feb. 8, 1898.

The Committee on Public Service will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition of George E. Putnam that the salary of the Sheriff of the County of Middlesex may be increased in room No. 434, State House, on Wednesday, February 16th, at 11 o'clock a. m.

—Samuel W. George, Chairman,
James P. Ramsay, Clerk of the Com.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, Feb. 8, 1898.

The Committee on Federal Relations will give a hearing to parties interested in that part of Governor's Address on International Exposition at Paris at room No. 424, State House, on Tuesday, February 15th, at 10 o'clock a. m.

—E. B. Estes, Chairman.
Wm. S. Swift, Clerk of the Com.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, Feb. 8, 1898.

The Committee on Fisheries and Game will give a hearing to parties interested in a bill to more effectually prevent the unlawful use of ferrets for hunting purposes at room No. 405 State House, on Friday, February 11th, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

—Charles O. Bailey, Chairman,
Harvey C. Smith, Clerk of the Com.

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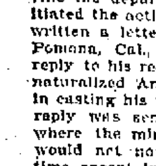

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LUETGERT GUILTY

The Jury Recommends Life Imprisonment

FOR THE SAUSAGE MAKERS' AWFUL CRIME.

General Satisfaction at the Prisoner's Conviction.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Adolph L. Luetgert has been convicted of the murder of his wife and sentenced to imprisonment in the penitentiary for life. It was 10:50 o'clock when word was sent by the jurors that they had agreed on a verdict. The news spread like lightning, and in a few minutes the room was jammed with newspaper men, policemen, witnesses, who had given evidence in the trial, and curious spectators.

There was a rush and all eyes turned on Luetgert when the announcement was made. He laughed in a manner that showed that he did not regard the verdict in a serious light, comparatively speaking. Mr. Harmon entered a motion for a new trial, which will be argued within a few days. To the reporters Luetgert said that the verdict was a surprise to him.

"I don't see how the evidence justifies such a verdict," he said, "but one thing is sure, the supreme court will give me a new trial, and I shall be acquitted."

From the time when the prisoner was led in to receive the verdict until the bailiffs conducted him back to his cell his face showed not one tremor of any sort of emotion. After arriving at the jail he retired as usual, apparently undisturbed by the adverse verdict.

TEXTILE SCHOOL

The Petition of the Trustees Presented

TO THE LEGISLATURE FOR AN APPROPRIATION.

The Work of the School Outlined.

The following is the petition of the the resolution upon which a hearing is being given in the state house today:

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled:

Representatives of Commonwealth of Massachusetts, respectfully represent that they are duly incorporated and organized as the "Trustees of the Lowell Textile School," under chapter 475 of the Acts of 1895; that they have received from the city of Lowell twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) and from the commonwealth an equal amount as provided in said act; and that they have established and are conducting a school at Lowell "for instruction in the theory and practical art of textile and kindred branches of industry" The plant, including machinery, fittings, fixtures, etc., is estimated at about seventy-five thousand dollars $75,000) of which about fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) has been contributed by textile and textile machinery manufacturers.

Before asking additional aid of the commonwealth, your petitioners desired and believed that the members of the legislature before considering such a request, would desire an object lesson or working example of a textile school, and they, therefore, rented suitable rooms at the rates charged for space for manufacturing purposes at Lowell and established a textile school therein, to which they invite the careful personal inspection of the members of the legislature.

The first term was opened February 1, 1897 with twenty-three (23) day pupils and one hundred and twenty-eight (128) evening pupils. This term closed June 3, 1897, when the demand for instruction, from mechanics principally, temporarily unemployed a portion of the day was so great that an afternoon summer school was at once opened and that course is still continued in the afternoon.

The first term of the first full school year commenced October 4, 1897, with fifty-five (55) day pupils who paid tuition, five (5) day pupils who receive free instruction for services as assistants in the various departments, and nine (9) decorative art students, seven of whom are young ladies, five being also in the course of textile design. There are also this year one hundred and eighty-five (185) afternoon and evening pupils.

The following tables show the residence and occupation of these pupils:

Students according to States.

Massachusetts	236
Maine	2
New Hampshire	5
Vermont	1
Rhode Island	1
Connecticut	1
Canada	1
Georgia	1
Ohio	2
Mississippi	1
North Carolina	2
New York	1
Total	254

Day Students—Qualifications for Entering.

Graduates of Universities	2
Graduates of Schools of Technology	6
Graduates of High Schools	30
Graduates of Grammar Schools	13
Admitted on Examinations	18
Total	69

Occupation of afternoon and evening students:

1 apprentice, 1 assistant overseer, 1 assistant superintendent, 1 beamer, 4 bookkeepers, 1 calico printer, 1 carder, 1 card grinder, 14 clerks, 1 cloth stamper, 1 cloth inspector, 2 color makers, 1 color matcher, 1 cotton waste merchant, 2 designers, 8 draughtsmen, 1 drawing-fixer, 1 drawer-in, 3 drawing-carriers, 10 dyers, 1 engraver, 2 finishers, 1 learning cotton business, 5 loom fixers, 18 machinists, 1 messenger, 1 mule spinner, 7 mill operatives, 7 overseers, 1 pattern cutter, 1 pin-setter, 1 printer, 1 reed finisher, 1 roving-hand, 1 roving-preparer, 5 second hands, 10 section hands, 2 sketchmakers, 5 slasher tenders, 1 spare hand, 14 spinners, 1 store keeper, 4 students, 1 superintendent, 2 warp dressers, 13 weavers, 1 winder, 2 wool combers, 5 wool sorters, 1 worsted spinner, 4 not given.

Residences of afternoon and evening students:

Lowell, 125; Lawrence, 31; Brighton, 1; Billerica, 12; Chelmsford, 2; Dracut, 3; Methuen, 6; Tewksbury, 1; Andover, 3; Fall River, 1. Total, 185.

The curriculum for the full or day course has been so arranged that the pupil will receive each term after the first, thorough instruction in one or more processes of textile manufacture and thus be fitted for employment therein if he is not able to go farther. He can, therefore, enter the school at the commencement of any term and resume his studies where he left off, and we thus meet a demand for short or special courses without increasing the expenditure for instructors. Pupils are availing themselves of the opportunity thus offered to earn their way through the full course. The petition further dealt with cost of the school for the past year and was signed by the trustees.

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WAS NOT ALLOWED

Decision of Judge Holmes in Simpson Case.

ADANATHUS SIMPSON WILL GET HIS SHARE.

The Decision of the Probate Court Sustained.

The decision of the Probate Court in the Simpson will case was sustained by Judge Holmes.

It sets aside the will and asserts the right of Odanathus Simpson of this city to inherit one half the property, which will give him $100,000.

The value of the estate in the hands of the administrator is $50,000, but Odanathus will at once bring a bill to equity to recover from his brother Verrazano the sum of $150,000 that the latter obtained before his mother's death.

The will was contested by Trull & Wier, representing Odanathus and his daughters. Judge Holmes handed down the following decision yesterday afternoon:

At the age of eighty-three, the mother of Verrazano Simpson, after a private conversation, with him, but with the knowledge of no one else, executed a will, leaving her personal property to him and her real estate to his brother, Odanathus. This, as Verrazano knew, meant giving three or four times as much to him as to Odanathus. The will was in his handwriting. Three years after, at the age of eighty-six, after a private interview with him, she sold the house she lived in and a country place to Verrazano, for $150,000, undoubtedly much less than it was worth, receiving his unsecured notes for the amount. These notes would have come back to him under the will which he wrote. In 1892, when his mother was 91, after having failed to pay his notes as they matured, he made a final contract with his mother, by which, among other things, she gave up the notes upon Verrazano's promise to pay $500 a month to her until her death. This amount also was not paid, as agreed, but largely was satisfied by notes, which were in her hands unpaid at her death. I think that anyone who heard that short story would say that it needed a good deal of explanation to prevent his believing that behind the hand of Esau he heard the voice of Jacob. And I say at once that explanation from the interested party is not enough. Several particulars which it is necessary to mention in detail, convinced me that he was not an accurate witness. I agree that the subsequent dealings which I have mentioned are not to prejudice the will unless they should be found to be steps in a common scheme. But that I am strongly inclined to believe them to have been. Before the will was made, Verrazano had tried to buy the whole of his father's estate from his mother for $200,000, which was half its appraised and certainly less than its real value. It was this offer that he referred to, and modified when he made his purchase in 1857. No doubt his ideas and intentions grew more definite and developed as time went on, but I think he took the first steps towards getting control of his father's fortune at an early day. He is shown by his own letters to be no stranger to subterranean plans.

However, I do not rely on events subsequent to the will. Every circumstance connected with it convinces me that I could not allow it to stand with safety. In the first place, Verrazano's testimony as to the conversation between himself and his mother, if I take it literally, is absurd. He represents the thought of a will as suggested to her by his remark that but for his father's will it would have been difficult to settle the estate because of the absence of a brother, Longinus, long unheard of. The remark is so unfounded that it is hard to believe that it was made. His father's will had no provision for Longinus. At another moment his testimony conveys the notion that her first thought of a will was with a view of leaving money to her relations as her husband had to his. His testimony however construed, discloses neither a possible motive for the will, as it was made nor instructions warranting the draft which he prepared. He produces what he says is the draft taken from her lips. It is a neat, lawyerlike document written without hesitation or erasures, with a series of careful provisions systematically set forth. It is unimaginable that such a paper represents the speech and directions of a woman of 83. With this draft in his pocket, he went to a lawyer, not in Lowell, where his mother lived, but in Boston, who prepared a formal will. This he copied with emendations which he says came from his mother but which again have the lawyerlike character of a man accustomed to business and to writing legal instruments, as he was, and which never in the world came from an old woman. Then, instead of letting her execute the will at her house in Lowell, he takes her over to East Cambridge and gets the late Register of Probate, Mr. Tyler, to witness it with two others and leaves it there in the Registry, thus combining secrecy with a look of most respectable precautions.

A receipt is taken, which within a year he takes from his mother's papers and carries off to the West. The secrecy which all this conduct seems to have been aimed at securing was preserved as against all her own family, and most of her neighbors until her death, although the old lady seems to have been pretty outspoken about most of her private affairs. In fact, the secrecy was preserved against all the world, unless I except some little and questionable testimony from two or three persons.

I think I appreciate how a witness under cross-examination finds himself committed, before he knows it, to a niggardly definiteness that does injustice to the events and to himself. I do not hold Mr. Verrazano Simpson quite to the letter of his account of his interviews with his mother.

But the undisputed facts all make against him, whereas unless they gave me a clear and sufficient explanation of a transaction which on its face is as wrong as it can be, I should feel bound to decide against the will, merely on the first elements of the admitted case—a woman of an age when the main spring is almost always broken whatever superficial intelligence may remain; a confidential and trusted adviser; a will in his handwriting, mainly in his favor, executed by his own statement without the knowledge of the rest of the family or a word of counsel from anyone but himself. Exactly how far he went, I may leave to his own conscience. It is enough that in my opinion I am bound to find that he went too far. It was said that she was a woman difficult to manage. I dare say she was stubborn. But few old people are difficult to lead by indirection. I do not attach the least importance to that part of the testimony. There are many details which I have considered in making up my mind which I do not think it necessary to go over.

The broad outline is enough. The result is that the decree of the probate court must be affirmed.

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Supt. True qualified before City Clerk Dadman yesterday and immediately took charge of the lands and buildings department.

Ex-Supt. Bray has been appointed master mechanic of the United States Bunting company. The influence of Alderman Dimon, it is said, did much toward securing him the position.

Prof. Woodridge of the Institute of Technology, Boston, was at the City Hall today, preparing estimates on the probable cost of establishing a plant to heat and light all the buildings owned by the city in the vicinity of the city government building.

THE GREATEST OF ALL GIFTS.

There is no gift to be compared with health. None realize this like the sufferer from some chronic or long standing disease. To such the gift of renewed health is priceless. And yet it is within the reach of all such sufferers. The great specialist in the cure of all forms of nervous and chronic diseases, Dr. Greene, 31 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., famous the world over, for his wonderful cures, has decided to give consultation and advice hereafter free. Remember, sufferer, that you can write him a description of your case and he will return a carefully considered letter, fully explaining your disease, giving advice, etc., without charge of any kind. Write today and health will be yours.

The committee on ordinance and legislation will meet at 8 o'clock tonight.

NEW HATS

Spring styles on several lines are here and ready.

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LE CERCLE ALBANI.

(Continued.)

ly at 8 o'clock, the orchestra playing Sousa's latest success, "Bride Elect." The other numbers on the program were as follows:

Chant, "Happy Birds" ..... H. Pontet
Mlle. Violetta Drury.

"Le Printemps" ..... Mattel
Mlle. Delia Bourget of Lawrence.

Declamation.
Mlle. Adelida Poirier, of Lawrence.

Chant ..... Choisi
Mlle. Louisa J. McLaughlin.

Chant, "Tit for Tat," ... Edward Houle
Mlle. Lena Ewing.

The program was then concluded with the medley overture, "A Pleasant evening.

After a brief intermission the grand march was formed. It was led by Hon. William F. Courtney and wife, and they were followed by Edmond J. Pinault and Miss Rose A. Caisse, the president of the cercle; George E. Caisse and Miss Anna Bernard, secretary; J. Choquette and Miss Alma Vigeant and about 40 other couples. The march was directed by Miss Helene Pinault, and Miss Elise Favreau.

In the centre of the floor was a very

ADELARD GUIMOND, One of the Aids.

pretty design in wax, being a shield, bearing the inscription "Albani" the white wax being relieved by a profusion of carnations along its lines. The design was done by decorator Dooley and was removed after the march.

The first waltz was dedicated to Madame Albani and after eight numbers had been enjoyed an intermission was held during which Caterer Miller served a dainty lunch. The intermission was followed by eight more numbers and then the merry dancers, with a parting "Bon soir, au revoir," waltzed home.

The officers of the evening were Rose G. Caisse, president; Anna Bernard, secretary; Alma Vigeant, treasurer; Marie L. Lucier, Emma Lanoue, Olive Dupuis, Elizabeth Forrest, Elise Favreau, Wilhelmine Moge, Delia A. Viau, Helene Pinault, Georgiana Boisvert Ida Courville, Azilda Boisvert and Leda Morneau.

Chaperones—Mesdames W. A. Parthenais, George E. Mongeau, L. P. Turcotte and J. W. Paradis.

Aides—Edmond J Pinault, Adelard Guimond, Dr. P. Brunelle, Charles Laflamme, George E. Caisse, P. W. Farrell, Edward S. Houle, Octavien G. O'Heir and Alma D. V. Bourget.

The ladies present were gowned as follows:

Mrs. William F. Courtney, brocaded blue and lemon, decolette and diamonds.

Miss Rose G. Caisse, organdie over blue silk, with French lace and roses.

Miss Anna Bernard, figured organdie with black lace trimmings and valenciennes.

Miss Alma Vigeant, figured organdie over white silk, trimmed with lace and green ribbon.

Miss Dertha Brunelle, white organdie trimmed with valenciennes lace.

Miss Georgianna Boisvert, green silk trimmed with green muslin.

Miss Helene Pinault, yellow organdie with yellow silk trimmings.

Miss Marie L. Lucier, white muslin with satin ribbon trimmings.

Miss Emma Lanoue, white muslin trimmed with lace and taffetta ribbon.

Miss Azilda Poirier, Lawrence white figured silk trimmed with ribbon and mousseline de sole.

Mrs. Veuve Belisle, black and white silk trimmed with black lace.

Miss Eva C. Gerry, white organdie decolette, and red roses.

Miss Clara D'Amour, white muslin decolette, and red roses.

Mrs. Nellie Chalifoux, figured organdie over pink silk.

Miss Mary Louise Paradis, decolette pink silk trimmed with yellow velvet and pearl braid.

Miss Eugenie Poissant, white silk, pearl trimmings with duchess lace and red and white roses.

Mrs. Joseph Monette, white brocaded satin trimmed with white lace.

Miss Victoria Dragon, white silk with pearls.

Miss Delia A. Viau, white organdie decolette, over yellow silk.

Miss M. L. Delude, garnet silk trimmed with mousseline de sole and diamonds.

Mrs. Walter L. Leighton, figured silk decolette, trimmed in fur.

Miss Elizabeth McLaughlin, pink and white muslin.

Miss Azilda Boisvert, pink muslin, with pink ribbon trimmings.

Miss Blanche Dextra, green velvet waist, blue satin skirt, trimmed with chiffon.

Miss Ida Mongrain, green figured silk with black lace trimmings.

Mrs. Daniel J. Donohue, black silk velvet, decolette, trimmed with jet and diamonds.

Miss Rose Cournoyer, yellow satin, decolette, with black silk trimmings.

Miss Elizabeth Forrest, plain muslin and fancy lace and pinks.

Miss Delia Bourget, Lawrence, yellow silk, decolette, pearl decorations.

Miss Elise Favreau, white and pink with French lace.

Mrs. George A. Mongeau, brocade satin trimmed with white pearl.

Miss Robertine Viau, figured organdie, decolette, over white silk.

Miss Violette Drury, white organdie over yellow silk.

Miss Lena Ewing, white mousseline de sole.

Miss Virginia Montplaisir, lilac gown decolette, white silk chiffon.

Miss Eugenie Montplaisir, pink silk covered with mousseline de sole.

Miss Almeria Henotte, white brocaded silk with pearl trimmings.

Miss Eugenie David, yellow and lavender mousseline de sole, large bunch of violets.

Miss Louise McLaughlin, pink and white muslin, pearls and diamonds.

Miss Mary C. Breault, white brocaded silk white satin trimmings and duchess lace.

Miss Alma Mineau, ecru silk trimmed with lace and ribbon.

Mrs. T. H. Kelley, white brocaded satin, green velvet trimmings and chiffon.

PLAYED PROGRESSIVE WHIST.

At their commodious residence on Varney street, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Maguire hospitably entertained a number of their friends last evening. Progressive whist was enjoyed for a while, the honors being carried off by Mrs. Gilbride and Mr. Joseph Lacey, who received very acceptable prizes provided by the host and hostess. Souvenirs in Mr. Maguire's handiwork in the candy line were distributed to those present, while Mrs. Maguire served a very delicious repast. At intervals during the evening, the company was regaled with musical selections both vocal and instrumental, by Cy. Johnson, the well known vocalist, and Master Tommie Maguire, who has attained wonderful proficiency on the piano for a boy of his age. As usual, Mr. and Mrs. Maguire succeeded in making the evening delightfully enjoyable to their guests.

BASE BALL.

"Indian" Jim Reagan, the ball player is wanted by the police, but he can't be found. It's all on account of a recent social function conducted in South Lawrence by the Sewer club or some other of the swell social organizations of the south side.

The affair was a "small" dance given about a week ago, one of the features of which was a prize "speel." Two South Lawrence men were the judges and Reagan was an interested spectator. One of the contestants was a particular friend of Jim's, and of course, the latter was "pulling" for his friend to carry off the prize. When the judges decided contrary to Reagan's opinion, he promptly "sonked" both of them, which came near precipitating a general row. A warrant was sworn out by the aggrieved parties but Jim had flown. Friends of Reagan's tried to square the men who were assaulted by offering them a certain sum of money to let the matter drop, but they refused and hence Jim is still out of town.

PERSONAL.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Rodger of Davis Square.

Chief Consul Elliott has appointed E. H. Shattuck, a local consul of the Massachusetts division of the L.A.W.

Sterling Elliott, chief consul, has appointed Abbott Lawrence as a local consul of the Massachusetts division, L.A.W.

The friends of Mr. Thomas C. Johnson of Charles street, will be sorry to hear that after four weeks' serious illness, he had to be removed to St. John's hospital for treatment.

Frank A. Daly, head of the publicity department of Hiram Ricker's Sons, proprietors of Poland Spring, and now located at their New York office, is paying a flying visit to familiar haunts in Lowell.

Miss Kitson, accompanied by her niece, Miss Lucy Stott, Miss M. Theresa White and Miss Bertha Howe left the city yesterday for St. Augustine, Florida. The party will be absent about two months, travelling through the sunny south and visiting the various places of interest.

MUSIC HALL.

The next attraction at Music Hall Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week will be A. Q. Scammon's company in "Side Tracked," in which the great American tramp, the knight of the highway and box car, has his innings. To him has been accorded a regular ovation. He appears in a role which appeals to the hearts of every audience and makes each spectator not only laugh as each familiar aspect of tramp nature is played, but arouses genuine applause when the heart of oak is seen beating under the ragged jacket of the wayfarer. The plot is well constructed, and affords opportunities to display in a natural way the light and dark sides of life.

BASKET BALL.

The Y.M.C.A. basket ball team of 1895, which was classed as the champions of New England, has challenged the present team, which is a strong one, to a game of basket ball which will be played at the Y.M.C.A. gym this evening. Both teams have practiced hard for the game and it will be worth seeing.

The line up:

LOWELL, 1897-98.	LOWELL, 1895.
O. MacFarland, r. f.	r. f. J. Ferris
Dr. Snyder, l. f.	l. f. S Williams
H. Wilson, c.	c. J. Williams
Kiersted, r. g.	r. g. F. Stevens
Harris, l. g.	l. g. J. Thomas
G. Goodchild, Sub.	Sub. J. Golden

After this game, the Juniors will play the Second team. There are fine players on the Second team and as both teams are evenly matched, yet the Juniors are going to allow the Second team 5 men to the first team 5.

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Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

THE STRIKE FUND.

(Continued.)

number of persons are included in the families.

At first this exodus may not seem to have much signification but the announcement that there have been, and probably are now, agents in the city for the purpose of encouraging the exodus, the seriousness of the matter becomes apparent.

Of the families which left yesterday, nine of them go to begin work which is waiting for them in the Washington Silk mills of New Jersey. The remaining five took passage for Philadelphia, Pa., where they are certain of work in the Mt. Vernon Silk mills in that city.

In view of the conditions which exist at present here, it is not surprising the tempting offers made to them were accepted by the families. To all appearances, the mills which have been mentioned require many more hands to assist in meeting the demands in the silk industry. The ignorance of the methods employed in the work form no obstacle to those accepting the offer of employment. The agent, or what is equivalent, directions by mail inform the New Bedford strikers that while they are learning the method of silk weaving they will receive each one dollar a week and will then hold their positions permanently.

Individual strikers are not the ones catered to. It is only to families that overtures are made thereby making the probability of the going and coming of employes less liable. It is said that a number of other families are waiting the word which will call them away from New Bedford.

Some of the families which left yesterday did not carry their furniture with them as they intend to wait until they have settled down in their new positions. Then they will send for them.

APPEAL BY GOMPERS.

The committee representing the different organizations in the American Federation of Labor which met yesterday in Boston, with Secretary Ross, have sent out the following circular:

READ AND ACT PROMPTLY.

Boston, Feb. 8, 1898.

To all Textile Workers:

You are all aware of the splendid defensive fight which the textile workers of New Bedford are now making, not only against a ten per cent. outdown, in their wages, but are making the fight in defense of the wages of the textile workers of New England.

What the men and women of New Bedford require in order to win is the support to which they are entitled and which can be secured for them. For these reasons a conference of one representative of each union of the textile industry will be held at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon, February 13, 1898, at Wells Memorial Hall, 987 Washington street, Boston.

Each union is appealed to respectfully and urgently to select a representative who will attend and who will aid in formulating plans by which funds and supplies can be secured to help New Bedford and thus help us all.

Hoping for your prompt compliance with the above request, we are

Yours fraternally,
—Samuel Gompers,
Pres. American Federation of Labor.
Samuel Ross.
Sec'y Nat'l Mule Spinners' Asso.
H. S. Mills,
Sec'y Nat'l Textile Workers Union of America.

NASHUA PLAYERS.

The following have been selected by the Nashua Cycle club for the second contest between the Spindle City Wheelmen and the Nashua Cycle club in this city February 17:

Whist—T. E. McAfee, A. E. DeWolfe, C. T. Cornish, probably Frank Hayes.

Pedro—A. E. Dixon, D. Colburn, B. L. Fletcher and George Dane.

Pool—J. F. Bixby, Dr. C. S. Valeour, Emile Landry, and F. H. Thompson.

DEATHS.

DESMOND—Miss Abbie Desmond, for a number of years cashier in the office of Thomas C. Lee & Co., died at her home in Harvard, Mass., Saturday morning, aged 27 years, after a short illness. She was possessed of an unusually agreeable disposition and made many friends by her unassuming and cheerful manner.

FUNERALS.

MACHADO—Michael Machado, child of Manuel and Manda Machado, died last night at their home, 59 Summer street. The funeral took place this afternoon and burial was in the Catholic cemetery.

MYLOTT—The funeral of Ellen Mylott took place yesterday from St. Michael's church, and service was conducted by Rev. Fr. Ducey. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

Dr. Jones, located over Goodale's drug store on Central street, is out after a siege of pneumonia.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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There are at least two local papers with less than one-fifth the circulation of THE SUN. They may have seen better days, but the only remnant of their former glory is the high price they charge for advertising.

If the price they ask is a fair one, THE SUN would be justified in asking five times as much, but we do not ask even twice as much. Don't you see why advertising in THE SUN is the cheapest in Lowell?

THE SUN has a larger circulation than any two papers in the city. It is in every respect

LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER.

President McKinley's answer to Minister DeLome's insult might be expressed in two words—"Get out."

THE ALDERMANIC MAJORITY.

It appears that the democratic majority in the board of aldermen has not availed itself of the powers placed in its hands in the upper board in block the republican schemers and secure a number of democratic appointments. There is no question whatever that if the democratic aldermen stood firmly together, they might have secured the appointment of several democratic officials. But instead of doing this, they elected Mr. Going city messenger; Tilton, superintendent of commons; Cheney, superintendent of streets; and True, superintendent of lands and buildings. There is no other vacancy for the head of any department, but we presume that if there was the aldermen would be willing to sanction the choice of the republicans. Perhaps we are unjust to some of the aldermen on the points stated, as not all may have voted for republicans, but it seems that none of them offered any serious objection to the action taken. To our mind, the worst feature of all is, that Mr. True's election to the office he now holds was the recompense which Councilman Lang sought from republicans for having led three democrats to commit themselves in offering to comply with his request for a bribe. Lang's perfidy has been rewarded in True's election.

STRIKERS FIRM.

Judging from the statements in Mr. Cunnane's letter to The Sun and from information from other sources, it appears that the New Bedford strikers are standing together much more firmly than has been represented by the daily papers. The prospects of outside support are daily becoming more encouraging and now the leaders at New Bedford are assured of sufficient funds to relieve all the actual distress in New Bedford. The citizens of New Bedford, it seems, are showing great liberality in aiding the strikers by distributing provisions of various kinds, as well as by opening soup dispensaries. The real difficulty, therefore, is in keeping the non-union strikers from returning to work. They are more difficult to manage and restrain than are the union operatives, and in their management lies success or failure of the strike. They refuse to remain out of work unless they get a reasonable support from the funds contributed to relieve the distress. It is, therefore, plainly the duty of the other mill cities of New England to stand by their New Bedford brethren in this crisis, inasmuch as Mr. Cunnane has stated that the fight now being waged in New Bedford is the fight of Lowell, Lawrence, Fall River, and the other mill cities of New England.

If the New Bedford strikers lose in this battle, then the prospect of having the old scale of wages restored in any of the cities mentioned will be almost hopeless. It is encouraging to find that the city of Lawrence has started a fund, following the example of Lowell and The Sun of that city, we are glad to say, is doing good work for the cause, backed by the labor unions.

WERE THEY RECKLESSLY BRAVE

There is a general sentiment that the six firemen who were killed in Boston exposed themselves to unnecessary danger in rushing into a five-story building while a fire was raging in the top story. It is plain that there must always be danger under such circumstances, inasmuch as the weight of the superstructure is liable to bring the timbers to the ground, especially when any of the supports are destroyed or weakened by fire. In such a fire, it seems that the firemen could do good work from the outside, where there would be no danger whatever. It is very desirable, of course, that firemen should exercise due courage in fighting the flames, but it should also be remembered that human life is more precious than any old fire trap building and should not be exposed to unnecessary dangers.

The many hairbreadth escapes of District Chief Egan indicated that he never considered his personal safety while fighting a fire. His escape from the Brown-Durrell building on an electric wire cable was one of the most thrilling scenes in the history of fire fighting in Boston, and another case in which his life was saved by his hanging to the coping of the building was almost equally marvelous. It was not surprising that those who knew his daring at fire fighting, predicted that he would eventually be caught where there would be no escape, and so lose his life. The prediction has been verified and the whole city of Boston mourns the loss of one of its bravest firemen with a number of others who were always ready to follow their chief wherever he led. The bereaved families will indeed have widespread sympathy, and it is gratifying to know that the sympathy is being shown in a financial way by the citizens of Boston, who have already subscribed a large amount for the bereaved family, while the city council of Boston has voted an annuity for each of the families, which is an extraordinary mark of gratitude.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Portland Argus—President McKinley called an extra session of congress last year for the sole avowed purpose of devising means for the immediate relief of the government whereby the deficit should be stopped. The republican party has been in power ten months; their "revenue" bill has been in operation nearly seven months, and here is the financial statement up to date: Increase of debt for January less cash in the treasury, $12,589,771; increase in deficit during the month, excluding Union Pacific payments and receipts, $7,901,131; total deficit since July 1, 1897, seven months, $51,901,823. A deficit of $52,000,000 in seven months! What comment is needed on that?

Kennebec Journal—The officers of the Maine were recently entertained at Havana with a bull fight. This really appears to be about all the active fighting that has been done of late in that portion of Cuba. The Spanish troops are dying off quite rapidly from exposure and neglect and the insurgents are apparently quite willing to get rid of them in this way. Every day serves to give new emphasis to the hopelessness of the Spanish cause in Cuba.

New York Times—Mr. McKinley's personal and political admirers can boast that of fully 3000 names sent by him to the senate in the last 10 months not one has been rejected. Why should they have been rejected? They were practically furnished to the President by the republican senators and when they came back from the White House these senators acted upon them under an understanding that no senator would make objections as long as his own men were approved.

Chicago News—As matters stand the senators will take the interest on their government bonds in silver, while the house members will take theirs in gold, and the rest of the public will take theirs in checks or in their minds, as heretofore.

Brooklyn Times—Mayor Van Wyck is being importuned by the different women's organizations to re-appoint the women members of the school board of this city. There are five of them and they go out of office this June. The Brooklyn Times would advise its women friends to be patient under trial, for they are to be sorely tried. The Brooklyn Times will be non-plussed if Mayor Van Wyck consents to name any women, especially in Brooklyn for any public office. Mr. McLaughlin does not favor it, in the first place, and in the second place, the democratic party never wastes positions for the simple delight of experimenting with new fads. Tammany will hardly give the ladies a chance. It needs these places, even with all it has. As the miser grows more niggardly, the more he accumulates, so the appetite of Tammany sharpens upon what it feeds on.

Boston Transcript—The New England mill operatives do not make so long hours as do those of the South, but they make more and better cloth. They are more intelligent, as well as more skilled than the southern mill operatives. In the long run industrial victory comes to the section which has the best labor, as is demonstrated in England as against the continent. There is a disposition in this country to believe that when an industry is established in a section to which it is a stranger, it must presage the extinction of the business in all sections where it previously flourished. Thus, when the southern iron boom began, there were many peopl who believed that Alabama would drive Pennsylvania out of the field. Nothing of the kind has happened. Pennsylvania's foundries and furnaces are doing a bigger business than ever before. They have at their doors a population with which skill in iron working is almost a hereditary possession. The resources of capital and transportation are near at hand. Alabama has built up her iron business, but has not pulled down that of Pennsylvania. After the present flurry in the cotton industry is over, it will be found, we are confident, that New England mills can be run at a profit, despite the extension of the industry in the South. Candid southerners tell us that southern mills make very little cloth of a character that brings it into competition with the product of New England looms.

ENGINE DISABLED.

While coming down from Lowell yesterday, Engine 637, attached to the northern freight, was disabled by the breaking of a draw casting. The accident occurred at Medfield and Fitchburg Engine 50 brought the train to this city.—Fall River Globe.

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NO COMPROMISING PRINCIPLES.

"Pivotal States" Humbug Will Cut No Figure at the Next National Convention—The Chicago Platform Contains the Doctrines of Pure Democracy.

Our Washington correspondent calls attention to the scheme reported to be under way, backed by the money power and the cuckoo crowd, to restore to its pristine vigor the frayed myth of the "pivotal states," says the Atlanta Constitution. This scheme, which was very successfully carried out for many years, and which caused the Democratic party many sore and disastrous defeats, consisted in the demands of the Democratic delegates from the hopeless or doubtful states that they be permitted to dictate the platform and nominate the candidates.

Our readers know the methods by which this scheme was carried out quadrennially. There was always the threat to the national convention that if it didn't put this in the platform or leave out the other, it would be impossible to carry New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, and the campaign would be for nothing. In this way the certain Democratic states were for years bound hand and foot by men pretending to be Democrats, but in reality standing for and representing all that is most obnoxious to Democracy.

The scheme was further favored by the anomalous position of the southern states, the victims of reconstruction and the target for all the venom and vindictiveness that prejudice could breed.

But this is ancient history now. Sectionalism is dead and prejudice is played out on both sides. In 1890 the real Democrats of the country asserted themselves and wrote into their platform the doctrines of pure Democracy. This was more than the time servers could stand, and they retired from the party or took no part in the campaign.

It is not at all surprising to hear that the old scheme is to be worked again. Ground is to be broken for a "compromise," and an effort is to be made to emasculate the Chicago platform to suit the peculiar views of those who may not agree with it.

We have no doubt, however, that there is a disagreeable surprise in store for the gentry who are engaged in this particular deal. The Constitution violates no confidence when it informs them that the scheme they have in hand was forestalled months ago, and their plans anticipated. In fact notice to this effect was served on them some months ago. If they had ears to hear, they could not have missed the inward meaning and purport of much that has been printed in the columns of Democratic newspapers on the "pivotal states."

But if there has been any misunderstanding whatever we hasten to remove it. In nearly every state in the Union the real Democratic organization is in the hands of those who are in hearty accord with the Chicago platform. It follows, therefore, that the number of those who attend the next Democratic convention with a view of emasculating the platform will be fewer in number than they were in the convention of 1896—and this is saying a great deal.

But perhaps it is idle to criticise or even discuss a scheme so futile and foolish. It could not succeed even if no measures had been taken to forestall it. As matters stand, it will never reach the doors of the national convention. The issue is not one of "pivotal states," but of democracy against plutocracy. Democratic principles are to be pitted against the greed of the plutocrats. The issue is between the restoration of bimetallism and the wreck and ruin of the gold standard. The voters will have to take their choice without any regard to "pivotal states."

And as for a compromise of Democratic principles, it will not be considered. There will be no such compromise, no evasion, no dodging. The people must vote on the naked and unrelieved issues that have arisen between the Democrats and the plutocrats.

M'KINLEY AND THE TOILER.

He Professes Sympathy For Him, but His Acts Belie His Words.

President McKinley manifests a lively interest in the welfare of the wage-worker. He wants American workmen to have living wages. He is sorry that the people are suffering in New England. He thinks it is a pity that such a state of affairs should exist as that which now obtains among the cotton mill operatives. Doubtless the president's emotional nature has been touched by the stories of destitution and suffering which come to him from New England. Doubtless for the moment he really feels sorry for those unfortunate workers thrown out of employment in the dead of winter. But emotion is not practical philanthropy; it is not even justice.

If President McKinley is sorry for the workingmen, why does he place enemies to labor in a position of power? Why did he appoint Governor Griggs attorney general? What is John Griggs' record? He voted against a bill to make wages a preferred debt in cases of insolvency. He voted against a bill to establish a half holiday on Saturday. He voted against a bill to prevent child labor in factories operating intricate and dangerous machinery. He voted against a bill making it illegal for an employer to prevent his employees from becoming members of labor organizations. He voted against a bill requiring fire escapes on factory buildings more than three stories high. McKinley pities the laboring man and appoints John W. Griggs attorney general.—Chicago Dispatch.

BOXING GOSSIP.

Peter Maher is hard at work training for his coming contest with Thunder bolt C. C. Smith, which will take place in Philadelphia on February 15, the limit being six rounds. Maher is doing his work at Point Breeze track, near Philadelphia, and judging from the reports that come from there, he is leaving no stone unturned to get into good shape for the bout. Smith is a tough proposition, as Peter knows from experience, and he will take no chances with the husky colored man. On the occasion of their last meeting at Buffalo, the reports of the bout gave Smith the credit of beating Maher in the first few rounds, and only the greatest kind of hustling by the Irishman brought him the winner's end of the purse. Peter always had a hankering after a return match with Smith, and in a conversation with a friend said that he was confident that he would make the Thunderbolt travel faster than he ever went in his life if they ever met again. The bout is attracting general attention, owing to Smith's capacity for taking a punching and his powers of recuperation after a cruel cross fire of hot shot from an opponent.

The sparring features of Corbett's show hereafter will be entirely separated from the dramatic. He will box with McVey before the curtain is raised on the drama. This will have the effect of letting the drama run along more smoothly. Corbett thinks there are many who want to see him spar who do not care to see him as an actor. This will be a good plan, he thinks, as his mind will then be free for the play itself. Corbett, in announcing his practical retirement from the ring, says he will recall it any time there is a chance to again meet his conqueror.

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STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, February 1st, 1898.

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—W. Whittlesey, Chairman,
Carleton F. Howe, Clerk of the Committee.

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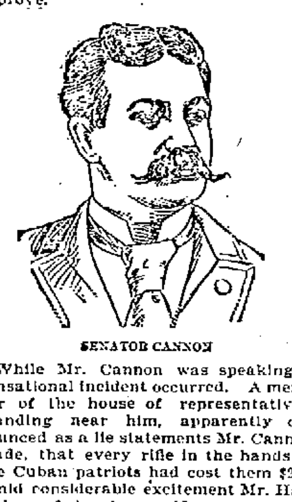
FIERCE FIGHT IN SENATE

Senator Mason Stands for Recognizing the Insurgents.

Senator Hale Upheld the Present Policy—He Said it Would Embarras the Administration—Others Heard on Both Sides.

Washington, Feb. 10.—For more than three hours yesterday the senate chamber rang with eloquent appeals in behalf of the Cuban insurgents. Speeches were delivered by Mr. Cannon of Utah and Mr. Mason of Illinois in advocacy of the adoption of resolutions which they had presented. Following Mr. Cannon's speech, Mr. Hale of Maine urged the senate to uphold the policy of the administration. He pointed out that much had already been accomplished by President McKinley not only for the cause of peace on the island, but also for the protection of the Americans and American interests, and for the relief of the reconcentradoes and pacificos. He maintained that it would not be a good policy, by the adoption of a drastic declaration, to place the administration in leading strings that might interfere with the carrying into effect of a defined policy.

Long before Mr. Cannon began his address the galleries were packed with people who were aware that this would be a field day of Cuban oratory. Mr. Cannon's speech was a calm and dispassionate argument in support of his resolution. He did not, he maintained, desire to disturb the peace or welfare of government, but he warned congressmen and officials in administration circles that unless definite action was taken upon the Cuban question by the United States the heavy hand of the people would fall upon them. He declared that in the conflict in Cuba, Spain, afraid to meet the insurgents in the field, had resorted to a policy of bribery and starvation. Of this he believed the American people could not be brought to approve.



SENATOR CANNON

While Mr. Cannon was speaking a sensational incident occurred. A member of the house of representatives, standing near him, apparently denounced as a lie statements Mr. Cannon made, that every rifle in the hands of the Cuban patriots had cost them $200. Amid considerable excitement Mr. Hale addressed the vice president, expressing the hope that the rules of the senate would be strictly observed. After quiet had been restored, Mr. Cannon, who was evidently painfully affected by his emotion, said: "I do not ordinarily object to remarks of denial concerning statements which I make on this floor. However, to a statement which I just made the audible comment was added that it was a lie. I care less, Mr. President, for the remark than for the spirit which actuated it. I reassert that it is a solemn truth that the Cuban patriots have paid $200 for every rifle they have in use in their army. These arms have come from the United States. Every railroad and every express company and every filibustering expedition which has landed ammunitions of war on the island of Cuba has taken its deadly toll." After some discussion of the general features of the Cuban question, Mr. Cannon said: "I charge now that the purpose of the administration is in consonance with the wishes of the Spanish bondholders, and before peace is secured in Cuba security for the payment of that tremendous debt must be given by the bloodstained island. That I say appears to be the wish of the administration, and I may say of Spain."

There was a buzz of comment as Senator Mason arose and his resolution was read from the desk. He had hesitated long, he said, as he feared that by an incautious step he might injure rather than benefit the Cuban cause; but he was ready to take the step now, feeling that any blame must fall on him, for he assumed full, personal responsibility. "I deny the insinuation," said he sharply, "that this is an effort to put the administration in leading strings." He was a Republican, and he was proud of the patriotism of the executive, but spoke his personal convictions on the cause of Cuba. "I am charged with seeking war," exclaimed the senator, "but my resolution is for peace. One word from this administration would bring peace to this continent, and under the providence of God we believe it would bring independence to Cuba."

"The thumbscrews of the inquisition were again brought into use in Cuba," proceeded Mr. Mason. "The pinchers that tore the flesh from human bones had contributed to the carnival of cruelty. Three hundred thousand people starved; 300,000 more were marching to the grave, and yet the cry was being raised that war was being sought, when the one and only cry was for peace and an end to this atrocity.

Mr. Hale interrupted to say that Mr. Mason's figures of those said to be dead and starving were far exaggerated and out of all proportion to the known population of the island. "Such statements are monstrous," declared Mr. Hale.

"That's what I think," interposed Mr. Mason, and again the galleries applauded vigorously.

The statement was monstrous, added Mr. Hale, in its inconsistency with the known number of people on the island. The figures given would show, he added, that one out of three of the population had died.

"Yes, and in some provinces 50 percent, or one in two," answered Mr. Mason. He said he would establish his statement by the letters of Mr. Pepper, a man recognized as conservative in his statements.

"This government ought to maintain that the horrible massacres which are now too common in Cuba and conducted under the guise of warfare," Mr. Mason went on, "must be stopped. We have no right as a neutral nation fully regardful of the rights of all to look upon such a warfare as within any reasonable construction of international law. The flag of truce has been abandoned, prisoners of war are being shot, and it is evident that no rule of warfare is being observed. The conflict has developed into a mere matter of murder on both sides—prisoners of war being shot or macheted without trial."

Now that the Spanish forces have refused to open battle, said Mr. Mason, the only hope of Spain is to overcome the Cuban leaders by bribes. Mr. Mason contended that Uncle Sam was in effect a policeman whose duty it was to exercise his power to prevent further bloodshed upon the island.

"Should the president take such action," declared Mr. Mason, "he would have behind him the army and navy, and above all the people." While men and women were starving, the senator said, the bucketshops sent us price lists.

"These stock jobbers," he exclaimed, "tell us that war is hell. In Cuba it is worse than hell." Mr. Mason said that when the bucketshops wrote the legislation of the country the evil day was upon us.

Mr. Cannon again took the floor for a brief personal explanation bearing upon the scene in which he had participated towards the close of his remarks. He said the gentleman to whose utterances he had taken exception had explained to him that he had reference to another subject. He was willing to accept the explanation, as he had no doubt the senate would be.

G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT.

Boston, Feb. 10.—The 32nd annual encampment of the G. A. R. of Massachusetts came to a close yesterday after one of the most interesting and eventful sessions in the history of the organization in this state. The rebuke which the so-called "house of lords" received by the election of William H. Bartlett department commander over John E. Gilman, the candidate of the regulars, was followed Wednesday by those opposed to the old order, presenting resolutions still further condemning the sixting of past department commanders in the annual encampment. As the resolutions were subsequently adopted, each post will vote on the question of abolishing this institution. The order further provides that if a majority of the posts of the state is opposed to the "house of lords," the national encampment to be held in Cincinnati in September shall be memorialized to have the law annulled.

In accordance with the usual custom the encampment wound up with a banquet in Faneuil hall. About 700 comrades gathered around the tables on the floor of the hall and on the platform.

CHALLENGE TO A DUEL.

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 10.—A political sensation has been created by the publication of a letter from Colonel Thomas E. Moore of Bourbon county, a leading Democrat, denouncing Desha Breckinridge, son of Colonel W. C. P. Breckinridge, editor of The Herald, and suggesting a duel to settle their differences. Colonel Moore is an ex-Confederate and is paralyzed in his right arm. He suggests that both use left arms. Colonel Moore was recently suggested as a penitentiary commissioner, and The Herald ridiculed him. This led to the challenge.

OLDEST MASON AND ODD FELLOW.

San Bernadino, Call., Feb. 10.—George Lord, the oldest Mason in the United States and probably in the world, and also the oldest Odd Fellow in this country, is dead. He was born in New York city June 27, 1800, and first came to California in 1849.

JAPAN'S NOTE TO CHINA.

London, Feb. 10.—The Pekin correspondent of The Times says: "The Japanese minister, Yane Funio, regretfully intimates to the Tsung-Li-Yamen the inability of his government, having regard to the obligations contracted by Japan, to grant an extension of the time for payment of the indemnity. Though no official statement has been issued, the negotiations for a loan from British sources are regarded as having failed."

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WILLIAMS' TRIAL

The Prisoner Shows no Sign of Fear

BUT THE EVIDENCE IS VERY DAMAGING.

The Story of His Hold up a Fake.

Salem, Mass., Feb. 10.—Hour after hour yesterday the hearing of testimony in the Williams murder trial held the attention of jury, Justices Braley and Dunbar and a crowd of interested spectators. The prisoner sat through it all without trace of emotion other than of intense interest in what was being told. He shows no trace of fear or even apprehension. Evidently he has every confidence that his lawyers will be able to break that chain of circumstantial evidence which the government claims to have without a flaw from beginning to end.

The testimony was largely upon the actions of Williams just previous to and immediately after the discovery of the fire in the little hut at Lynnfield, in the ruins of which the supposed body of the missing John Gallo was found. Members of the Daley family, who live opposite the spot where Williams claims to have been held up the night previous to the murder of Gallo and the fire in the shanty, were upon the stand. One and all testified that they had neither heard nor seen anything of such a squabble in the road as Williams had described.

DAVIS' GOBETWEEN.

Middlebury, Vt., Feb. 10.—The most important contribution to the testimony against Smith Davis for the alleged murder of Dora Cushman was given by William Brittell, who was arrested last August as an accessory. Brittell spent some time in jail, but was able to secure his release under bonds. He has since turned state's evidence. Brittell is the man who is said to have acted as a gobetween for Davis and Dora Cushman. He testified that he had made appointments for them to meet on various occasions, and that he had arranged the meeting of the two in the pasture on the afternoon of the girl's death. He went over the mountain to Warren at Davis' request and got from one Herbert Poland a cologne bottle partially filled with liquid. Poland asked witness to tell Davis to mix two tablespoonsfull with half a pint of alcohol and give the mixture to the girl. These instructions were delivered, and later Davis asked witness if the girl had taken any of the preparation. Brittell said she had not, as the alcohol was too strong. Witness made a preparation in which brandy alcohol was used. Brittell also testified that Davis slept very little during the time immediately preceding the girl's death. Davis had a small box which he carefully guarded, and one day he told witness that he had an instrument in his pocket. He requested witness to go to the Cushman home and tell Dora to meet him (Davis) in a berryfield that afternoon, as he had something very important to tell her. The message was delivered as requested.

Dr. Adolphus J. Cushman, father of the girl, was the next witness, and his evidence was mainly in corroboration of previous testimony. On cross-examination the defense devoted all its efforts to throw discredit on the standing of the physician, who had instruments similar to those that caused Dora's death, which she might have possibly got in her possession and used. The witness testified that no one who had not a key could get the articles, as he always carried the key with him. The witness passed through a trying ordeal.

WERE SHOT IN THE BACK.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 10.—At the deputies' trial yesterday Ellery Benin, an undertaker of Hazelton, who buried 13 of the victims, gave their names and described their wounds, saying all were shot in the back except one who had a bullet in his forehead.

John Andreaski said: "As soon as I heard the shooting I fell down near the railroad tracks and about 30 yards from the deputies. They fired a volley and then a lot of separate shots, and the sheriff and two men ran right out of the line of deputies and upon the railroad track, crying out, 'Come back, you —— and we'll fix you,' to the fleeing strikers, at the same time shooting two or three times." The witness pointed out Frank Clark as one of two deputies with the sheriff; he could not identify the other. Court adjourned at this point. The commonwealth has about 100 more witnesses.

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THE RULES FOR TROTTING

No More Hobbles to be Used on the Track After 1898.

Drivers Must Have Licenses—Eligibility of Horses Must be Established—Other Notes.

New York, Feb. 10.—Two questions that have been much discussed in trotting circles, viz., the abolishing of hobbles and the licensing of drivers, came in for a brief discussion when the rules bearing upon these subjects were reached at Wednesday's meeting of the National Trotting association. The rules committee had evidently settled these questions, for there was little difference of opinion at the meeting regarding the propriety of adopting such rules.

The section adopted regarding the use of hobbles now reads: "Horses wearing hobbles shall not be eligible to start in races on the grounds of members after Jan. 1, 1899." The rule regarding the licensing of drivers provides that no rider or driver shall be allowed to compete on the grounds of a member until he shall have obtained a license from the secretary of the National Trotting association; that such license must be applied for any way; that in case of emergency a member may permit a rider or driver to compete pending action on an application for license, but in all cases the winnings of the horse shall be withheld until the license is issued, and in case of failure to secure a license the premium retained shall be distributed under the rules; that a license may be revoked under certain conditions; that a license may be issued free of charge to all riders or drivers against whom there are no claims on the books of the National Trotting association.

The same rule provides also that drivers must wear their own colors; that no licensed rider or driver can without sufficient reason decline to be substituted by judges as required by rule 27, which has reference to the disqualification of a driver of a horse that is being pulled or has been handled improperly; that such refusal may be punished by suspension or the imposition of a fine, or both; that a rider or driver shall not ride or drive a horse in a race without personal knowledge as to the eligibility of the horse.

M'COY'S DEPOSIT COVERED.

New York, Feb. 10.—"Buck" Connolly of Pittsburg, manager of Peter Maher, called at The Police Gazette office yesterday. He covered "Kid" McCoy's forfeit of $5000 and issued a challenge to back Maher against McCoy for $5000 or $10,000 a side and the championship of the world.

Connolly said: "I think that Maher is entitled to the first chance with McCoy if Fitzsimmons refuses to fight him. I am confident that Maher can beat McCoy. McCoy will no doubt refuse to meet Maher; he had already shown a disposition to ignore him when we first issued a challenge."

McCoy will be notified of Maher's challenge to him. Connolly stipulated that the fight must take place within six weeks after signing articles. If McCoy does not accept the offer within a reasonable time, the $5000 will remain up and a challenge will be issued on behalf of Maher to any man in the world.

LEAGUE OF WHEELMEN.

St. Louis, Feb. 10.—The principal address at the first day's sitting of the delegates to the convention of wheelmen was that of Professor John Hamilton of Harrisburg, Pa., author of the Hamilton road bill, which is expected to do so much for the improvement of roads in Pennsylvania. The speaker in conclusion said: "The underlying and governing principle in all governments should be that the strong should aid the weak, and the logical and equitable method in this, not private or local, but most important public improvement, is for the state to undertake the work and thus enlist all interests and all of the people in the execution of this great enterprise, designed, constructed and maintained for public use."

THE PAWTUCKET NINE.

Pawtucket, R. I., Feb. 10.—Manager Whiting has practically completed his list of players for the Pawtucket nine of the coming season. Todd, who appears as a new pitcher, was reserved by Washington last year, but his release has been secured. The players are as follows: Buelow, catcher; McCafferty, Todd and Knorr, pitchers; Beaumont, first base; Stouch, second base; Coughlin, third base; Done, shortstop; Weisbecker, left field; Whiting, center field, and News, right field and change catcher.

POLO PLAYERS ATTACKED.

Pawtucket, R. I., Feb. 10.—A number of the polo players were attacked by a mob as they were leaving the rink last night, and a number were considerably battered. The spectators were dissatisfied with the decision of Referee Doe at the game, and assembled outside the rink door for the purpose of attacking him. Doe managed to escape, and the crowd vented its wrath upon the players. The Providence men were pursued to the depot and snowballed all the way.

POLO SCORES.

In Bath—Baths, 6; Rocklands, 2.
In Pawtucket—Providences, 4; Pawtuckets, 2.
In Meriden—Meridens, 4; Hartfords, 3.
In Lewiston—Portlands, 4; Lewistons, 3.

BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE.

Boston, Feb. 10.—The senate transacted no business yesterday, adjourning after receiving some reports and clearing away minor matters.

The "good will and trade mark" of the Walter Baker Chocolate company involved a discussion in the house, which consumed the most of the time. This corporation asked for an increase of its capitalization to $4,500,000. The third reading was ordered.

Ought to pass was reported by the committee on manufactures on the bill to provide that consumers of electricity shall not be obliged to pay for the use of an electric meter when they use $7 worth of electricity in a year.

The joint judiciary committee reported favorably on the bill to allow the admission to the bar of those who were examined before Jan. 1, 1898, and the bill was passed all its stages under a suspension of the rules.

The public health committee reported a bill to protect the public from poison in patent and proprietary medicines. The committee also reported a bill to allow the board of registration in pharmacy to have the right to inspect all druggists' records of sales of poison.

"No savings bank or institution for savings hereafter incorporated shall do business or be located in the same room or in any room communicating with any bank, national bank association or trust company," says a bill from the committee on banks and banking.

DICTATOR BARRIOS KILLED.

New York, Feb. 10.—A report comes from San Francisco that President Barrios of Guatemala had fallen a victim of assassination in Guatemala City. Details are wanting.

President Barrios was a man of wide attainments and marked executive ability. He was only 42 years old.

TWO VESSELS MISSING.

Philadelphia, Feb. 10.—It is reported that two Philadelphia schooners with 20 men were lost during the recent blizzard on the New England coast. One was the William Johnson, Captain James Lee, which sailed for Portland Jan. 18 with a cargo of 1400 tons of coal. The other was the schooner William K. Park, Captain Louis C. Lake, which left Boston light Jan. 23 for Rockport, Me. Both vessels belonged to Captain Peter E. Reed of this city and each carried 10 men.

The William Johnson put into Boston harbor Jan. 27 leaking badly and with six feet of water in her hold. She was pumped out and resumed her voyage Jan. 28, having only 85 miles to sail, yet no tidings of her have been had. The Park has not been reported since she sailed.

NEWS FROM HAVANA.

Havana, Feb 10.—The American yacht Buccaneer, which has several times entered this port without health or other papers, flying the colors of the Union Yacht club, is understood to have landed Earl Decker, the New York Journal and Advertiser correspondent, at an insurgent camp. The yacht carries a small gun and it is reported that she has arms and ammunition on board. The Buccaneer was shadowed.

According to information obtained from Spanish sources, a detachment of Spanish troops has routed an insurgent force in the Sancti Spiritus district of the province of Santa Clara. The insurgents are said to have lost 10 men killed and the troops are reported to have captured the flag and arms of the insurgent leader in command, as well as 60 saddled horses.

United States Consul General Lee was notified of the vigilance of the Spanish authorities towards the Buccaneer, and he answered officially, it being intimated that she might be fined, that a yacht was not obliged to comply with custom house regulations, and that in certain cases a yacht might be considered as a warship. The matter is still under discussion, no decision having been arrived at by the Spanish authorities.

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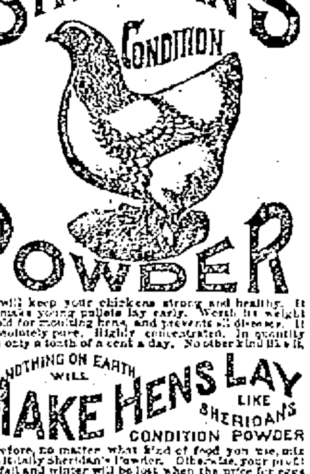

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SOCIETY AND JEWELS.

How the Wives and Daughters of Millionaires Now Array Themselves.

Jewels are now the prevailing mania. Men and women alike are wearing more of them than were ever worn before.

This is what every self-respecting fashionable woman must have to-day simply to start with, and all of the first quality:

A tiara or two.
Just a few sunbursts.
Half a dozen stars.
A jeweled belt.
At least twelve rings.

As many bracelets as will cover the arm from the elbow to the wrist.

If she has good taste she will not think of wearing too many at any one time, but she must have enough to make a change with, for nothing stamps a woman as not being rich so quickly as always to be seen in the same jewelry.

"Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown" can never apply to an American woman, judging from the way in which she carries her head with crown and tiara. The favorite style of tiara this winter is not so close and heavy as was the case two or three years ago. The designs are more spread and give a lighter effect, besides showing the beauty of the stones to the best possible advantage. There are very few round crowns seen. The coronets or half crowns and the tiaras are much more fashionable and infinitely more becoming. Mrs. John Jacob Astor has a small, round crown which she wears rather back on the head and a little to one side, and it has a very smart look. But she is the exception to the general.

Among the jewels demanded by this craze ornaments for the hair may be mentioned first. The aigrettes are most effective made in the marabout feathers studded with tiny diamonds. There are long sprays formed of small diamonds on a gold thread, with a large diamond at the end. Then there are Mercury wings of all sizes made of masses of diamonds, and diamond stars of varied sizes, which fasten in the exaggeratedly high ostrich tip or osprey feather which is one of the favorite hair ornaments of the season.

Glittering Results of the Jewel craze.

There are, of course, jeweled combs in countless variety. One particularly smart headdress arranged a la pompadour had back of the roll in front a curved comb of diamonds, a differently shaped diamond comb at the back of the roll and two side combs. At the left side of the hair was a fan-shaped diamond spray and in front a tuft of long osprey feathers.

Another noticeable coiffure had the hair arranged in the form of a chignon, but with a pompadour in front. A coronet of diamonds and emeralds set closely together was put just back of the pompadour, and the chignon was held in place with hairpins, the tops of which were thickly set with emeralds and diamonds. The effect was a trifle heavy, but stunning.

One woman had her hair arranged high on her head, with three diamond stars in front, each star of different size, the centre one being the largest. These stars, fastened to hairpins by a twist of wire, so that they are not stiff, but nod gracefully when the head is moved, is a favorite design.

Every one tries to arrange the hair so that it will give the effect of height, and the ornaments, of course, accentuate this. The feathers and the spray often measure as much as eight inches, and everything depends upon how the ornament is put in the hair. If it is too far back the effect seen in profile with the length of the line from the chin to the top of the ornament is decidedly overwhelming, particularly to a small man.

More ornaments are worn on the neck than have ever been seen before, and the beauty of the line from the top of the ear to the top of the shoulder is most ruthlessly sacrificed to the exhibiting of the jewels, of which it would it would seem as if there was no limit to the number that can be worn.

A woman with a moderately long neck will put on a wide collar of black or colored velvet. Over this are strings of diamonds which almost cover the velvet. Then below is a string of diamonds graduating in size, so that at the back they are quite small.

In front hangs a jeweled ornament of some old design, and while there must be many diamonds in it, there can also be colored stones as well. Then there must be below this again one or two ropes of pearls. While, for sweet sentiment's sake, there is a fine gold chain with either a minute locket or a little ornament and moonstones for luck.

The collet of pearls or diamonds is as necessary now to every woman's toilet as a collar is to a man's shirt. Rows of pearls kept together with little bands of diamonds, or the diamonds with a band of the pearls—these are seen on everybody. They are sometimes made with colored stones, but not so often as with pearls and diamonds.

On the front of the waist is another opportunity to exhibit more jewels, and here the colored jewels can be seen to great advantage. Queer bugs and flies, preferably dragon flies and bees, are noticed. Some bees are beautiful, with the body of one large emerald or ruby, or even one pearl, with diamond wings. The dragon flies are all diamonds, with ruby eyes, but to attempt to describe the various devices would take quite too long.

Moorish Cream.

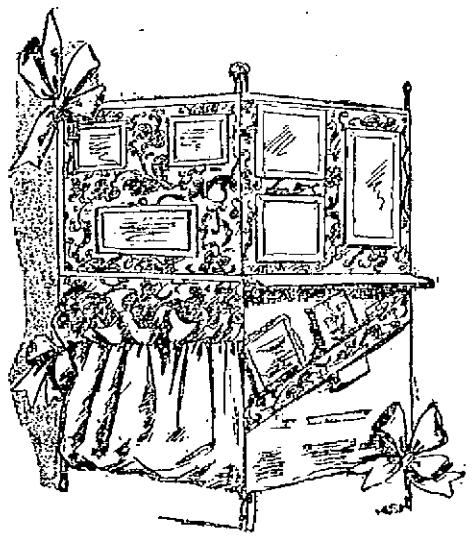
To make Moorish cream a few pounds of broken ice will be required, mixed with a third of the weight in salt. The other ingredients are lady finger biscuits or stale sponge cakes, macaroons, dried cherries, apricots, angelica, 6 eggs, 1½ pints milk, 6 ounces of castor sugar, ¼ oz. of Swinborne's isinglass and vanilla essence, also ½ pint of whipped cream. The quantities of cakes and fruits cannot be precisely indicated, but when cut up they must nearly fill a pint and a half mould, and the proportions can be used at pleasure. An ice cream mould with a tightly fitting lid is the correct utensil, but any plain mould will do, providing it has a lid. Make a boiled custard with the milk, eggs, and sugar, reserve about half a pint, and dissolve the isinglass in the larger quantity. Pour this into the mould over the cakes, stir well, and leave it to cool, lay a sheet of white paper on top, put on the lid and plunge it into the ice and salt, where it must remain three hours. Add the whipped cream to the remaining custard, flavor it with vanilla, and use as a sauce for the mould. When required for serving, dip it into warm water for a second, and turn out on to a glass dish, pour some of the sauce round it, and serve the rest in a boat. Garnish the whole with a few colored sweetmeats. Frozen desserts are now very fashionable, and I have selected this one because it can be carried out without an ice cream freezer.

INDOOR GOWN FOR A MATRON.

Indoor and at-home gowns are very ornate and fanciful in style. They are often made of two or three contrasting colors and as many different fabrics. A handsome gown is of rich dark red silk, trimmed with lace.

The nine gore skirt has a very narrow tablier, which is trimmed with rows of tucks. A band of lace edged with a pleated chiffon flounce, trims the skirt and runs up the tablier seam. The bodice lining is cut with front in three pieces, the center panel covered with tucked silk. Draped with three pieces of silk, joined at the side and shoulder seams. Lace collarette. Coat sleeve covered with ruffled silk and edged with lace.

A DAINTILY-MADE SCREEN.



A small light screen that can be easily moved from one place to another is always useful; a plain wooden frame, enamelled white, costs but little and can be filled in after various fashions. The treatment admits of photographs being inserted in the upper part of the screen, the lower half of one side being arranged as a large pocket, whilst facing this is a small collapsible ledge, capable of holding tea-cups, and beneath is a diagonal band of brocade which serves to hold invitations or Christmas cards.

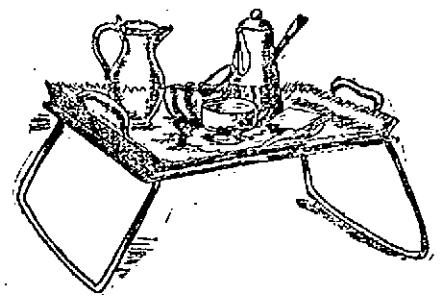
The screen consists in the first instance of a mere skeleton—the outline, a couple of bars of wood across the center, and a single ledge fixed with a hinge. Apply two coats of enamel allowing the first to dry before applying the second. Two sheets of plain glass are fixed in the upper panels. Then take a piece of cardboard and cut it to fit the upper portion of one side of the screen. Arrange three photographs on this and mark with a pencil the outline of each, and cut out the four panels where the photographs are to be placed. The cardboard should then be covered with brocade, the effect being richer if a padding is inserted between the cardboard and the brocade. The upper half of the other side is similarly treated, and the pictures can be fixed in place and held there by strips of stamp paper.

For the lower panels take two pieces of cardboard the exact size required and cover one piece on both sides with brocade, the other on one side only, the reverse being covered with Roman satin. These panels should be fixed with tiny tacks and then outlined with fancy gimp, secured with glue. The pocket or work-bag should be attached to one side of the screen, and a strip of plain Roman satin decorates the other for holding knick-knacks or pictures. The screen is further embellished with handsome bows of ribbon.

Styles for Hats.

Small flowers will edge the brim of the large midsummer hats, and, in fact, such a wealth of flowers will be used on all the spring and summer millinery as to preclude the necessity for much else. Before the season has far advanced, however, there will be the usual reaction in favor of ostrich feathers, but at present the plumage most in demand is the delicate aigrettes made from the ostrich feather.

A HANDY TRAY FOR INVALIDS.



The invalid, or those who from preference have an early breakfast taken to their rooms, would no doubt find the little table-tray most useful. The supports on which it rests enable one, while propped up in bed, to breakfast as easily as at table, these supports taking the weight off the tray and leaving one's knees free.

An ordinary wooden tray with brass handles will serve our purpose admirably, as it is a simple matter enough to get any ironmonger to supply us with and fix on the supports, which may be of brass or bamboo, and are so arranged—by means of rings through which they are run on the under-side of the tray—that when the improvised table is not in use they will fold under flat.

The tray itself may be decorated in various ways, according to one's skill.

GLEANED FROM THE NEWS.

Part of the boyhood of Bishop [illegible] allowed $10 as spending money. His mother, on giving it to him, requested an exact account of his daily expenditures. He tried to keep his word, but sometimes, forgetting to post the items for days together, it was difficult to recall them and he invented nearly to sundries, which appeared pretty regularly throughout his account.

When Mrs. Barry first looked over her boy's account-book on his return, she was much pleased at the most frequently recurring item of expense, take so strong an interest in the cause of missions. Astonished in his turn, he declared he had not given a penny to missions.

"But, surely," exclaimed Mrs. Barry, "the society for the propagation of the Gospel is missionary work, and I find [illegible] been given in small sums to S. P. G."

"S. P. G., mother," confessed the future dignitary of the Church, "does not mean Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. When I could not remember what I spent my money for, I put down S. P. G.—Something.

A Michigan paper tells a story of a little girl named Hattie, whose mother was putting her to sleep one night. At last her mother said:

"Hattie, dear, I am anxious that you get quiet and go to sleep, because I want to go downstairs and join in the evening prayers."

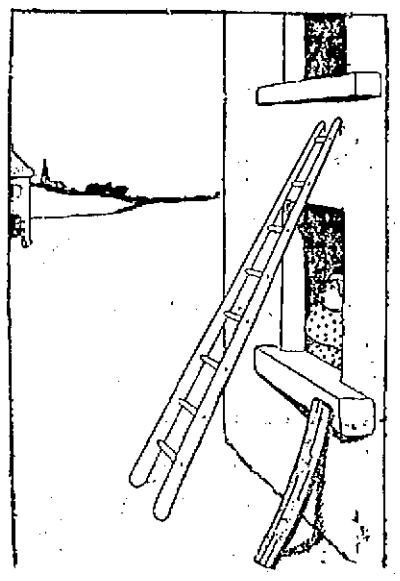
"Who's doin' to pway?" asked Hattie.

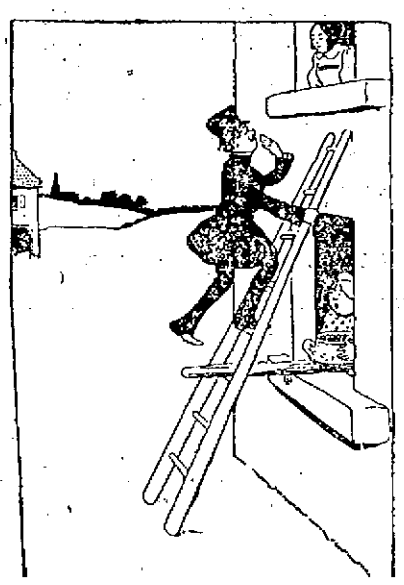
"Why, Uncle William, of course."

"Uncle William pway?" said the baby, with wide-eyed astonishment, and springing up in bed in the vigor of her surprise, "W'y I fawt he was a Demokwat?"

COLD WATER COOLS HOT LOVE.

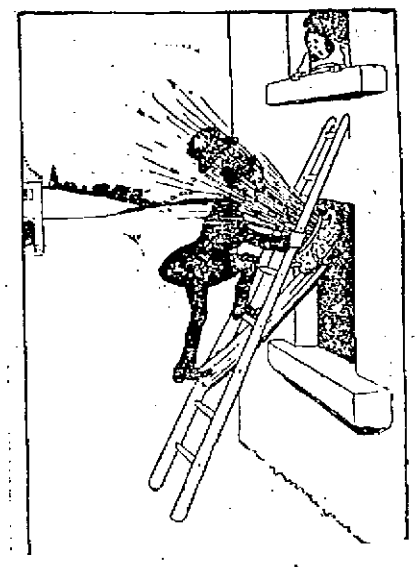
Mother saw.

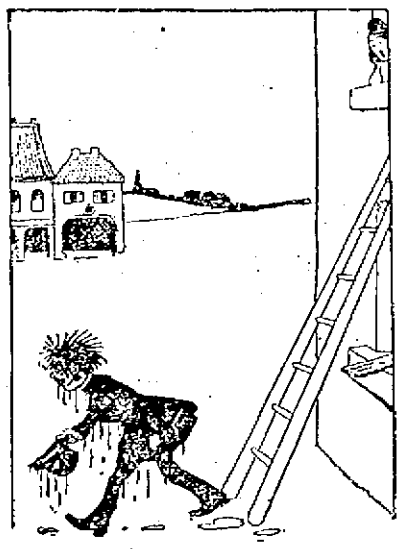




Lover's jaw.

Waters pour.





Hearts sore.

THOSE BLASE ARMY OFFICERS.

The Lieutenant (with a bored air)— Oh, the play is real clever; I think I'll have to write one myself.

A Cautious Man.

"It's a good thing to be cautious when among strangers," said the precise-looking man to a tall, angular old fellow, to whom he was talking on the deck of an Atlantic liner.

"Yes," was the response, "you can't always tell who you're talking to when you don't know, and strangers thrown together, as we are, are very likely to make mistakes if they don't look out."

"That's what I think about it," said the precise one. "There are several people around that I'd like to know who they are, but I feel a delicacy in asking."

"Who, for instance?" asked the tall party, letting his eyes wander about the deck.

"Well, there's a lady standing there, by that door, talking to a young fellow, who looks as if he might be her son."

"That far door?" inquired the tall party, stretching his neck around.

"Yes."

"She looks as if she might bite a nail in two?"

"Yes."

"Got a jaw on her like a vice!"

"Yes."

"Keeps it going all the time, as if there wasn't any such thing as an eight-hour law?"

"Yes."

"Got a bonnet on that looks as if it might be a sign for a vegetable gardener?"

"Yes."

"Got a complexion like a slab of tan bark?"

"Yes."

"Got clothes on that look as if they'd been made out of last year's circus posters?"

"Exactly—she's the one! Who is she?"

The tall party got up to have a better look before committing himself.

"She's a jay from Westminster, ain't she?" he said, with a laugh, as he sat down again.

"Yes. Who is she?"

"Oh, she's my wife. Let me take you over and introduce you."

But the cautious man declined, and managed to lose himself in the crowd as quickly as possible.

HUMANITY'S BEST FRIEND.

Sartorial Artist—Those will be all the measurements I shall require, sir, thank you. And now, what sort of shoulders would you prefer? I should recommend the military shoulder to match the mustache.

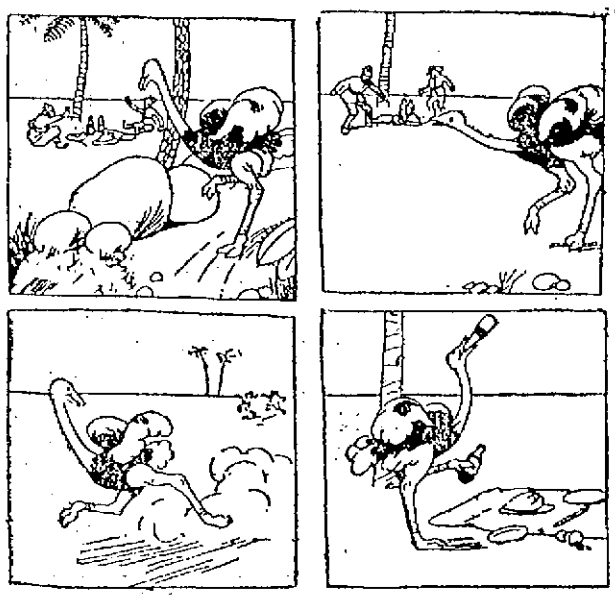
HIS EXCUSE.

"Why does Smith always argue so strongly in favor of Platonic love?"
"Have you seen Mrs. Smith?"

VERY SMART INDEED.

(1) "By Jove!" said the ostrich, "look at those chaps! and I'm as dry as a lime kiln. Let's see if I can't get hold of some of that booze. Ah! I've got it."

(2) So he put on his most painful expression, and went limping by those hunters. "Hallo!" they cried, as they spotted the ostrich, "we've got a dead sure thing this time."



(3) But the ostrich smiled to himself as he limped on, until he got a mile from their dinner, he then sped back by a short cut.

(4) And arrived back far in advance of the hunters, who, when they returned, found, much to their disgust, that the ostrich had eaten their lunch.

TWO MUCH-A BUSED TERMS.

A Forward Young Man and a Backward Young Girl.

TRAIN UP A CHILD, ETC.

Mrs. Hunt (a popular and prosperous pauper)—Now, Albert, what'll you say when I takes you into the kind lady's drawin' room?

Albert (a proficient pupil)—Oh! All right, I know—put on a beautiful lorst look and say: "Oh, muvver, is this heaven?"

THE CHICK THAT WAS TEMPTED —AND FELL.

(1) "Hallo, that's whisky! Why shouldn't I make some 1898 resolutions?"

(2) "This is great! Gentlemen, I'm resolutin' all the time.

(3) "We won't gorrome till mornin'! We——"

(4) Next case!!

There Were Others.

"Look!" she almost shrieked in her rage, as she shook the paper under his face. "Oh, villain, villain, I have found you out in all your base perfidy!"

"I—I beg your pardon," said the young man, "but I'm afraid I don't quite follow you."

"This is your letter to me."

"Yes."

"It breathes the tenderest affection, doesn't it?"

"I flatter myself," he answered, with a complacent bow, "that it does."

"It is ardent in its protestations of undying devotion, isn't it?"

"If it was as I intended it, there's no doubt about its being so."

"Look—look here," she hissed, "and then turn your face in shame. Here are the unmistakable traces of carbon paper. This letter was manifolded!"

Sentimental Miss: "Do you believe, Mrs. Jawsnap, that it is always darkest before dawn?"

Mrs. J. (impatiently): "Ask my husband. He knows."

TWO POINTS OF VIEW.

Mrs. Joskins—Isn't it remarkable that I can remember every hat that was worn in the panto, last night?

Joe Joskins—Dunno; I can remember the pattern of all the garters.

Consideration for Baby.

A few weeks ago a tired-looking little woman, with her thin cape spread out to protect her burden from the rain, rushed through the mud in a well-known street to a 'bus. The steps were crowded with men who could not find a seat, but they made way for her and helped her into the packer 'bus. She stood unsteadily in the aisle, trying to preserve her balance as the 'bus bumbled along.

"Keep still, dear!" she sighed, in a weak, tired voice, when a slight disturbance under the cape was observable.

"Why don't some of you fellows give that woman with a baby a seat?" growled a fat man, who was hanging to a strap.

Two or three men sprang up and each insisted that she take his seat. She sank into one of the vacant places, thanked the man who had made way for her, and a frowsy-headed terrier sprank from under her cape and sat in her lap while he barked at the fat man.

Embarrassing.

Mabel—"It is very annoying. I happened to say that it was the most interesting novel I had ever read."

Laura—"Well?"

Mabel—"Well, he insisted on talking about just those incidents I must have skipped."

A few weeks ago the following notice appeared in a Dublin newspaper: "Owing to pressure on space a number of deaths are unavoidably postponed."

The Head of the House.

"I tell you he is a perfect tyrant," said woman number one.

"I haven't a doubt of it," said woman number two.

"I will hear this poor woman's tale," thought a well-intentioned man, who was a listener, "and perhaps I may be able to assist the poor soul.

"Yes, he is a regular tyrant. He has no mercy on me whatever. He rules the whole house like a regular Czar."

"Of course he does," said woman number two.

"I shall have to offer my services to this poor, down-trodden woman," thought the well-intentioned man.

"Yes, he rides over the whole of us rough-shod, and sometimes, when he gets on the rampage, he breaks everything he can lay his hands on."

"Madam," said the well-intentioned man, who could stand it no longer, "my services are at your disposal. Let me go to your home and intercede with your tyrannical husband."

"He isn't my husband, you simpleton," snapped woman number one. "He's my nine-months'-old baby—bless his precious little soul!"

Discriminating.

Bigson—"I once possessed a splendid dog, who could always distinguish between a vagabond and a respectable person."

Jigson—"Well, what's become of him?"

Bigson—"Oh, I was obliged to give him away. He bit me!"

A Secret Laid Bare.

A secret I have just found out,
I'll tell you if you will not tell;
All trees which bear in summer time
Will bare in winter just as well.

Little Clarence—"Man is at his best in winter, isn't he, pa?"

Mr. Calipers—"Yes, there are no flies on him then."

"I see the critics, almost to a man, are praising Pensmith's latest book."

"Then they must regard him as being too weak to be in any danger of getting to the top by their help."—Cleveland Leader.

GLEANED FROM THE NEWS.

More than eighty-five years ago a young man from Anne Arundel County, Maryland, came to Baltimore to seek his fortune. When he arrived in the city, which sixty years later he was to endow so munificently, he had only seventy-five cents in his pocket. He was eighteen years old when he left his father's farm, on which he had worked since his twelfth year; but, hard as he had worked in the country, a still harder experience was his during the first years in the city.

Soon after his arrival in Baltimore he obtained employment in his uncle's wholesale grocery store. The work was laborious, and the salary small; early and late he was at the store. The six years that he passed in his uncle's store, while toilsome, were serviceable. They taught him methodical business habits, and thus prepared him for his future career as one of the merchant princes of Baltimore—one of that remarkable trio of benefactors (Peabody, Pratt, and Hopkins,) whose enlightened liberality has provided their adopted city with magnificent monuments in the shape of libraries, a university, and a hospital. Of these three public benefactors of Baltimore, Johns Hopkins was the wealthiest, and founded two of the most splendidly endowed institutions that the world has ever seen—the Johns Hopkins University and the Johns Hopkins Hospital.—Self Culture.

Nearly fifty new minerals have been discovered in the past few years. Some of them are beautiful, but far more interesting are those containing little cells or cavities filled with fluids or gases. For instance, are shown a topaz in which is a cavity filled with gas caught up during the crystallization of the mineral; a slice of quartz from North Carolina contains a gas bubble; but most wonderful of all is a gas bubble which is constantly dashing about a little cavity in a piece of quartz. This bubble dashes from wall to wall of the cavity in restless motion, like a monad seeking to escape. This motion must have continued during the ages which have elapsed since the consolidation of the granite.

"No man ever loses 'is ambition completely," said Uncle Eben. "Ef he gits whah he can't do nuffin' but a nuisance, he takes pride in seein' how big a specimen he kin make dis'f."—Washington Star.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON.

Southern Division.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6 45	6 50	6 00	§7 07
6 25	7 40	6 45	7 48
6 42	7 5.	6 41	§7 35
§7 01	8 02	7 55	9 10
*§7 20	8 10	*8 30	§9 10
§7 55	8 15	*9 00	§9 .8
§. 31	8 50	9 10	§10 25
*7 41	8 37	10 17	11 25
*8 50	9 40	10 45	11 05
9 16	10 35	11 35	§12 07
9 41	10 41	12 00	§12 56
§11 00	12 04	*1 00	§1 38
§11 42	12 25	2 00	3 01
§12 16	1 05	*3 00	§3 38
1 41	2 50	3 47	6 03
3 00	4 25	4 14	§5 34
*§3 52	4 35	*5 30	5 45
4 25	5 30	5 39	6 35
§5 22	6 15	6 47	6 57
5 44	7 10	6 14	7 32
*§6 22	7 05	*7 30	§8 03
*§7 49	8 20	*8 00	§8 38
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		11 20	12 23

Sunday Trains.

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
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§7 28	8 15	9 00	§10 07
5 45	9 57	1 .0	§1 57
§9 10	10 10	6 00	§5 59
§4 25	5 32	7 50	§8 18
§5 55	7 00	8 00	§5 35
		9 00	10 05

Western Division.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
.53	8 03	7 30	8 33
.16	9 10	9 .5	10 37
9 25	10 30	10 25	11 40
10 50	12 02	11 50	1 06
12 05	1 37	2 15	3 19
12 45	1 58	3 40	4 56
2 30	3 41	4 25	5 45
3 20	4 22	5 01	6 29
4 05	6 23	6 01	7 13
6 10	8 12	6 35	7 46
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Sunday Trains.

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
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4 15	5 25	6 00	6 2.
5 30	6 05	7 00	8 22
7 25	5 45		

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* Express.

§ From Middlesex St. Station only.

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CHOPPING BOWLS WITH TEA.

Our entire line of Chopping Bowls and Trays given away with 50-cent tea, you can have any size with a pound. Dickson Bros.' tea store, 65 Merrimack street.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS

Sold on the Cunard, White Star, American, Dominion, Anchor, Allan, Red Star, French and German lines, sailing from Boston and New York to Liverpool and Queenstown. Money sent to Ireland, England and all parts of the world. Canada bills bought at Murphy's Steamship Agency, 18 Appleton street.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smokers enjoy Old Hundred cigars.

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Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson St. Telephone, 439-4.

Envelopes for business men at 2 and 3 cents a bunch. Harris, 10 Appleton street.

Coal and coal. If you want the best, order it of W. E. Livingston, 15 Thorndike street.

If your coal does not suit you, try Mullin, the 953 Gorham street coal dealer. You can get him by telephone.

NOTICE RETAIL MERCHANTS.

The Merchants' Coupon company will remain in Lowell another year. Thirty thousand people are collecting Merchants' coupons. We do not take any new retailers after this week. Write or call if you wish to join. To the Public: Collect Merchants' Coupons. Trade with the dealers giving Merchants' Coupons. With Merchants' Coupons, you obtain beautiful premiums.

A BANNER SLEIGHRIDE.

The employes of the Banner market enjoyed a sleigh ride party to the home of Mr. S. P. Pike at Sunnyside farm, Tewksbury, last night, leaving the city at eight o'clock and arriving at the farm after a delightful ride. The party, 40 in number, enjoyed dancing, supper and social amusements, returning to the city at 2 o'clock.

SATURDAY IS QUARTER DAY AT THE WASHINGTON SAVINGS BANK. FOUR PER CENT. DEPOSIT NOW.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Centre Congregational church of Chelmsford held a supper and entertainment last night.

Miss Annie Cilley read several fine selections, including "Jimmy Hoy," by Samuel Lover, and "Jean Valjean" by Victor Hugo; also, by request, her popular laughing selection. Wood's orchestra played several pieces and other numbers on the program were: Baritone solos by Mr. Wade; piano duets by Misses Jennie and Julia Fox, piano solos by Miss Zella Coburn, and solos on the clarionet and octarina by Mr. Cushman.

LADIES' AUXILIARY.

The Apron and Necktie party under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Reform club in Columbi hall last night was attended by sixty couples. The officers:

General manager, Mamie Kennedy; assistant, Lizzie Noble; floor director Minnie Mooney; assistant, James H. Maguire; chief aid, Nellie Holihan; aids, Richard Reidy, Nellie Murphy, Mamie Maguire, Grace Caskin, Sadie McKenna, William McGrail, John Hogan, Maggie Nugent; reception committee, Delia Kelleher, Wm. Smith, Mathew Hogan, Dan Corcoran, Sarah McGraw, Minnie Conroy, Wm. Redmond, Wm. Goulding, Mary Edwards, Lizzie Noble.

MATRIMONIAL.

Mr. Peter Maguire and Miss Louise Lancie, daughter of Mrs. Samuel Harris of Stackpole street, were united in marriage at St. Jean Baptiste parochial residence last evening. Mr. Joseph Wallace was best man and Maude Harris, stepsister of the bride, was bridesmaid. The bride was gowned in a becoming frock of white silk, which was trimmed with white satin and she carried a bouquet of bridal roses. Her headdress was tea roses and diamond ornaments. The bridesmaid was attired in figured blue silk with trimmings of pink silk tulle. At 6 o'clock a reception was held at the residence of the bride's stepfather, 199 Stackpole street. The ushers were John Maguire of Boston, a brother of the bridegroom, and Mr. Wallace. The happy couple were assisted in receiving by the bride's mother and stepfather, and her aunt, Mrs. Odell Vaillancoeur of Lawrence.

The young couple will reside on School street.

GUILLET—CHABOT.

Mr. Joseph H. Guillet of this city, a well known member of the Middlesex bar, and Miss Clara Chabot of Haverhill were united in marriage on Monday at St. Jean Baptiste parsonage by Rev. A. A. Amyot, O. M. I. They are now on a wedding journey.

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CRISP GOSSIP.

Years ago, it used to be occasionally remarked in the newspapers that the observance of St. Valentine's day was gradually dying out, and that the time was coming when it would be only a tradition. For once the papers were wrong, and the custom of sending valentines has held its own from year to year, and already the shop windows are filled with attractive and hideous designs for the coming festival of St. Valentine. Probably the great majority of people never send or receive valentines, but a sufficient number of people do send them every year to make the trade a fairly profitable one. There are the pretty and more or less elaborate affairs of lace paper, gilt and tinsel, with verses that tell of affection concealed within the folds, and then there are the so-called comic designs with their highly colored caricatures upon the follies and weaknesses of mankind and womankind. Each caricature has appended a few lines of verse, which are if possible even more libellous than the picture. The principal purchasers of these valentines are school children.

The correspondent of a Maine paper, writing of the happenings of his town, says: "Clyde Judkins brought 40 sticks of stove wood from the wood shed to the kitchen box the day he was 20 months of age."

That's nothing. I know a boy who, when he was only 18 months of age, got hold of his father's wallet with $17 in it, carried it to the parlor stove and chucked it in. There is another thing probable, too, and that is that when "Clyde Judkins" gets to be about 15 years of age, the old man will have to wallop him with a skate strap to get him to carry in 40 pieces of kindling wood. Clyde will entirely recover from that wood carrying habit as his years come.

The man who drives a light sleigh about the country at this time has to be a pretty cool-headed fellow, and keep his wits about him and drive carefully, or he is likely to meet with disaster at any time, particularly in making turns about street corners. Some narrow escapes have been noticed about the streets and a number of "upovers" have occurred. A sleigh, like a canoe, has to be handled carefully and by an expert or there is danger in it for the helmsman and his crew.

SACRED HEART FAIR.

ATTENDANCE WAS THE LARGEST OF THE WEEK.

The attendance at the Sacred Heart church fair last night was very large and a fine program was offered for the entertainment of those who attended. The first part included: Piano selections by Arthur McHugh; character sketch work by John J. Murray and Edward F. Shea; duet by Masters Walter Brosseau and Frank Teague; song, Master Martin Maguire.

The second part was given under the direction of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart school. It was a cantata by the children of Sacred Heart school called "The Boating Party." The children dressed in white and carrying flowers, presented a very attractive picture.

The lemonade table was a new feature last night and Miss Alice Cuff was matron. She was assisted by Miss Annie Harrington, Miss Mary Mears and Miss Maggie Callahan.

APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE

HELD A LONG SESSION LAST NIGHT.

The committee on appropriations met last night and the members were in session until 11.30 discussing the department appropriations.

The Mayor was present during the first part of the evening, and the committee spent half an hour in an endeavor to find how to pay the bills amounting to $24,000 left over from last year.

Ordinarily the bills that have come in late in December, have been paid in the year following from the several department accounts.

The following paragraph of a new ordinance now makes this impossible:

"All regular annual appropriations shall be for and only applicable to the reliabilities incurred during the year, in which they are made, any form of phraseology in the order, resolution, or vote providing for the same to the contrary nothwithstanding."

There are 400 people interested in the bills and it was urged that it was unbusinesslike to postpone payment.

It was finally voted to report a resolution for a special appropriation, the money paid to be charged to the several departments. The committee then went into executive session.

When the first slips containing a department estimate was taken up, it was found that the blank for the Mayor's estimate had not been filled in. His Honor stated that he wished the committee to form its own opinion of what the departments needed.

The committee adjourned to Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

MARRIED MEN ENTERTAIN.

The married men of the Pawtucket church entertained last evening. Supper was served and a program was carried out, rendered by the following:

Miss Edna MacBrayne, soloist; Miss Lillian Holgate, reader; Mr. William Rice, banjo soloist; and the Erie Banjo and Mandolin club.

MIDDLESEX LAUNDRY.

Mr. F. E. Haines, proprietor of the Middlesex steam laundry, entertained his employes, about 40 in number, last evening, at his home in Moore street. Supper was served by the D. L. Page company and dancing and whist made up a pleasant social evening.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

J. K. McCULLOCH.

In the foremost rank of speedy skaters is J. K. McCulloch, of Winnipeg, thrice world's champion. Besides his international laurels at 1,500, 5,000 and 10,000 metres, the Canadian crack has won four American and five Canadian championships. In 1896 he invaded this country and lowered the colors of our native cracks in three out of four championship events. Last year witnessed McCulloch's greatest performances, when he triumphed over Harold Hagan, of Norway, and other foreign champions in the international meet at Montreal. He makes his own racing skates.

GREAT FIRE AT PITTSBURG

Twenty or Thirty Men Buried Under Falling Wall.

A Police Captain Among the Number—Wires Fall With Fatal Effect—A Million Dollar Loss.

Pittsburg, Feb. 10.—A fire of mysterious origin was discovered about 8 o'clock last night in the large cold storage plant of the Chatauqua Lake Ice company. The building was a six-story brick, with three fire walls, making in reality four buildings. The ice company had its plant and storage warehouse on the lower floors and the Union Storage company occupied the balance of the building with merchandise of all descriptions, the property of many merchants and householders of the city. One of the compartments was used as the government bonded warehouse and contained about 400 barrels of whisky and alcohol. Fifty horses belonging to the ice company were stabled in one end of the building, but were rescued.

The windows of the block are protected by iron shutters which could not be opened, and for this reason the firemen were badly handicapped, being unable to get at the fire properly. At 11:15 p. m. an explosion of whisky occurred which blew out the Mulberry alley wall with terrible results. At the time the alley was filled with firemen, policemen, newspaper men and others. Many were caught by the falling wall. There are rumors that at least 25 or 30 men are still under the debris. Three dead have been taken out, among them Police Captain Berry. The other two bodies are at the morgue unrecognized as yet. Many people were injured by flying bricks and beams, and all the ambulances and patrol wagons of the city are in constant service.

The telegraph and electric lights at the corner of One Hundred and Thirtieth and Penn streets fell shortly after the explosion and killed an unknown man.

Just after the explosion the large warehouse of W. A. Heevler & Co., directly opposite the Chautauqua company's building, was ablaze and in a short time was beyond hope of saving. At about 1:15 the fire was gotten under control. The two large buildings are a total wreck, and the loss cannot be much less than $1,000,000. Until the fallen walls have been cleared away, there can be no certainty as to the number of victims.

JIM McLAUGHLIN

The Veteran Keeper and Bowler

HAS QUIT POLICE DUTIES AFTER LONG SERVICE.

Sketch of His Interesting Career.

After 23 years of faithful service in the police department, during nine of which he has day in an day out gathered in the few hidden coppers from the tattered garments of the poor offenders and the long green from the well heeled crook, Keeper Jim McLaughlin, irreverently nicknamed "Hockie," by the uncouth scribes who haunt the guard room, has quit the scenes of his labor for other fields.

From scooping in the nickels and dimes from the unfortunate who has "bailed" freely, and got arrested, Jim

JAMES E. McLAUGHLIN.

will turn his attention to the pleasant occupation of taking in the nickels and dimes from the unfortunate who has "bowled" freely and got stuck, for on Monday next, he begins his duties at Les Miserables bowling alleys.

For the past nine years, with but few absent days the genial veteran has been seated one week, days; the next, nights, at the keeper's desk, and has booked all kinds of offenders from simple drunks to murderers. He has seen all kinds and conditions of criminals and could generally tell in a minute the character of the offender he booked. All kinds of jobs have been put up by the wily offenders on him, but only once did any one of them ever succeed in getting ahead of the wide-awake James, and then he was corralled before he had a chance to enjoy the fruits of his trick.

The man in question didn't have a cent in the keeper's desk, but another drunk had five dollars and the trickster knew it. Upon being released, he sought Keeper McLaughlin at the desk, and giving the name of the fellow who owned the money, received that man's package, with the five sheet in it. He had hardly got out of the door when he was caught, however, and the keeper was practically never fooled.

Though one of the "young fellows," Keeper McLaughlin is 61 years of age, and is a veteran of the war, having served in the 10th New Hampshire Volunteers, quitting with a fine record.

He joined the police department October 25, 1875. At this time William Clements was chief and there were but 30 or 35 men on the force, including supernumeraries and regulars.

He served two years as a supernumerary. At that time it took a strong pull to get on as a regular. Supernumeraries were then not allowed to go into the guard room until after the regular officer had gone out. Supers had to stand in the sink room.

In an interview with a reporter, yesterday afternoon, Mr. McLaughlin said: "After two years as supernumerary. I was assigned a regular beat. I had Water, Andover, Chestnut, and Park streets, and went as far as the Rogers or syndicate farm, now known as Fort Hill park.

I remained on the regular force 12 years, making 14 years in all in outside service. Then I was made a keeper and I have served in that capacity for the past nine years.

"I have served under Chiefs Clement, Pindar, Noyes, Lovejoy, Favor, MacDonald, Howard, and Supt. Davis.

Among the bowlers in New England no one is better known than "Old Hoss" McLaughlin. He is more of a veteran with the lignum vitae, than he is with either the rifle or billie and twisters.

"When I was but seventeen years old," said Mr. McLaughlin, "I began my career as a bowler. I was a pinboy in the Exchange coffee house in Market street. It was a hotel run by Owen Donohue, father of M. T. Donohue, one of the members of Governor Russell's staff, and an uncle of Peter H. Donohoe.

"When I got so I could roll a ball down the alley, I was working in William Clements' alleys in Middle street. Mr. Clements was then a deputy sheriff.

"There weren't any holes in the balls in those days, but I could soon beat any of the men I ran up against. You see boys were not allowed to bowl, and one day when Clements came in and caught me at it, he didn't do a thing but catch me by the ear, lead me to the door, and kick me clear across the street into Kittredge's coal yard.

"I then got to playing in the old Museum, where the Hildreth building now stands. The alleys were in the basement where the News composing room is now. Smith and Wetherbee ran the place.

"During the war and for a long time after I had no chance to bowl. When I did the balls had holes in them. This was in 1889 out at Lakeview. At first they seemed awkward and the fellows laughed at me. But after a while I caught the idea and somehow or other I happened to hold my end with the 'crackerjacks,' and was taken on to the Les Miserables team, the greatest team of its day.

Mr. McLaughlin states that next summer the alleys will be entirely renovated.

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The Channing Fraternity deserves the gratitude and support of the musical public of Lowell for having brought here such renowned entertainers as Mr. and Mrs. Henschel, whose song recitals occupy a unique and unapproachable position in the world of music. The recital last evening, under the auspices of the Channing Fraternity was held in Odd Fellows' Temple and a representative audience enjoyed the rare program of classical music.

MUSICAL PROGRAM.

The evening High school pupils enjoyed an entertainment in High school hall last night. The program included: Piano solos by Mr. McAloon; songs by Osmond Long, Master Martin Marguire, Miss Adelaide Sullivan, and Miss Mamie Gallagher; readings by Miss Bessie O'Neil and Messrs. McKenna and Gallagher.

Solon W. Stevens will address the pupils on "Books and Reading," next Wednesday night.

POSTAL CLERKS.

The Hotel Webster in Haverhill has been chosen as the place for the meeting of the Merrimack Valley association of Postoffice clerks which is to be held on Sunday, February 20. The meeting will be called to order at 2.30 p. m., and the consideration of business will come first. Then there is to be a banquet with post-prandial exercises and a general discussion will follow the regular speechmaking.

The principal topic of discussion will doubtless be the matter of electric railway postoffices, as advocated by Assistant Postmaster D. F. Dolan of Lawrence. Mr. Dolan is enthusiastic on this subject and will ask that the clerks in this and other cities give him all possible information as to which and how many of their mails would be bettered by the use of the electrics as mail carriers.

Mr. Dolan and a host of others for that matter, think the service in all cities would be greatly improved if the electric lines were so provided with facilities that the mails might be carried on their regular trips. The idea will be thoroughly discussed and the clerks will prepare a fund of data for use in furthering the interests of teh scheme.

STOVER'S SHOP ORGANIZED.

There are disturbances in shoe circles in this city and Agent Donovan of Haverhill was called to this city yesterday by the employes of the shoe factory of M. Stover. He was informed that the workmen there had been cut down and that they wished to be organized. The result of the cut was the immediate organization of the shop employes and their application for a charter under the United Boot and Shoe Workers' union. The application was made in due form and forwarded to Agent Donovan, who went to Boston yesterday morning to secure the charter at the general offices. He will at once take it to Lowell and will organize the men. The firm of J. M. Stover & Co. was once located in Haverhill, where a big business was done. It removed to Lowell nearly 10 years ago, and there it continued its success.

OLD FOLKS' CONCERT.

The Old Folks' Concert in Associate Hall next Sunday evening will be given by the Catholic choirs of the city and will be for the benefit of St. Patrick's boys' school, the money being used to provide free text books for the pupils.

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A BIG CRASH.

TRUSSES AND GIRDERS OF HUNTINGTON HALL FELL.

The big trusses and iron girders in Huntington Hall fell with a terrible crash during the noon hour yesterday.

The Boston & Maine company has a crew of thirty men at work there and they left the place about 20 minutes previous to the time the trusses fell. Had they been at work at the time they could not have escaped injury.

The trusses are huge, old fashioned timbers, most of them 10x10 or 12x12, and there were also many heavy iron rods and braces.

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